

SHANGHAI GETS ITS SECOND AIR ATTACK

Nationalist Aircraft Bomb Southern Suburb OPTIMISM IN CANTON

Shanghai, June 16. Shanghai underwent its second air raid by Nationalist planes since the occupation of the city by the Communists when at least three aircraft bombed the Southern suburb near Lunghua international airport early today.

The planes dropped bombs along the upper Whangpoo River in the vicinity of the Kiangnan arsenal and dockyards and returned later to strafe the area. Kiangnan was heavily damaged by shelling and fire during the Communist siege of Shanghai but some parts remained in operation.

There are no reports available of damage or casualties but machine-gun fire as well as the explosion of bombs was plainly heard in the city. The planes, which flew across the heart of the city at a considerable height, were subjected to heavy anti-aircraft fire.

HK-BOUND VESSEL PIRATED

Pearl River pirates attacked an unarmed motor junk en route to Hong Kong from Canton and stripped two of its three engines, all the valuable cargo, ship's chandlery, personal belongings and cash, estimated at HK\$80,000.

The Wing Sang landed into the Chinese Maritime Customs Stations at Tai Shan on her remaining engine to report the incident. It was towed by another motor junk into local waters, reaching here at 11 p.m. on Wednesday.

Mr. Leung Chee-sang, coxswain of the pirated craft, reported to the Marine Police last evening that he left Canton on June 13 with vegetable foodstuffs and other valuable cargo for the Colony.

The Wing Sang reached Boco Tigris at about 2 p.m. when suddenly a gun fire was directed at the junk, and a motor launch, which could not be identified in the darkness, approached.

Being slower in speed and unarmed, it was not long before the Wing Sang was boarded by armed pirates, dressed in dark Chinese-style dress.

The crew were ordered below deck, where they were locked up for 20 hours. The pirates took complete control, and sailed the craft for four hours before stopping.

"From the noise we knew they were taking off the cargo. The unloading went on for 15 hours," Mr. Leung stated.

At about 9 p.m. the Wing Sang moved again and one and a half hours later it stopped.

"We felt it was drifting and after a few minutes one of us ventured to the upper deck to investigate."

"He found the deck deserted and released us."

"We sailed on the remaining engine and two hours later we found our bearings from familiar landmarks off Sha Koi, just South of Boco Tigris," the coxswain said.

"The two engines and our personal effects alone cost about HK\$15,000. The cargo was valued at HK\$65,000," Mr. Leung concluded.

THE WEATHER

At 0600 GMT (3 p.m. HKT) the depression is stationary and appears to be filling up over Japan. The trough extends S then SE across Formosa and S China. Pressure remains high S of the Bonin but is relatively low over the Western Caroline.

Today's Forecast:—Variable winds. Continuing unsettled with periods of rain.

Yesterday's Weather:—Maximum: 24.8 deg. F. Minimum: 16.0 deg. F. Sunshine: Nil.

Rainfall: 66.3 mm. = 2.61 in. Total since Jan. 1—510.9 mm. = 20.11 in. as against an average of 716.1 mm. = 28.19 in.

Readings at 10 a.m. 4 p.m.
Bar. at sea level 1000.5 mb. 1000.5 mb.
Equal 29.92 in. 29.92 in.
Rel. Humidity 78% 78%
Dew Point 78° 78°
Wind Direction SW SW
Wind Force 4 4
Time 10:00 4:00
High 10:00 4:00
Low 10:00 4:00

The raiders all appeared to be American-made P-51 fighters of the Chinese Nationalist Air Force.

Meanwhile, a high Chinese Government source in Canton predicted today—perhaps optimistically—that the Communists will not try to move further South until they consolidate their recent gains.

This source, who attends all Nationalist military and political councils, also declared in an interview that the Communists are militarily capable of taking Hong Kong.

The Nationalist Government has decided to reinforce its Canton garrison with troops from the North West and Taiwan and will resist any Red attempt to take this refugee capital.

Chinese living under the Red will revolt and new leaders will arise to lead the revolt. A Kuomintang stalwart himself, he agreed this might mean the end of the Kuomintang.

This source, who declined use of his name, based his prediction of no immediate Red Army move Southward on a proposal he said the Communists made during the unsuccessful peace talks early this year.

Shensi Fighting

At that time, he said, the Communists stated they were going to cross the Yangtze river by late April whether peace talks were concluded or not. He said the Reds wanted to send forces into Hunan, Chokiang, Kiangsu, Anhwei, Hupai and Kiangsi provinces which hold China's rice bowl and into Nanking and Shanghai.

Since the Reds crossed the Yangtze in April, they have moved into all six provinces and Fukien as well.

The Nationalist source said the Communists have three courses open on Hong Kong—break off relations and ignore it, blockade it from the land side, attack it. The Commun-

ists can take it militarily, he said.

A Nationalist military spokesman said that infantry and cavalry units had counter-attacked with success against the Reds in Shensi Province.

The spokesman said the Communists had suffered 23,000 casualties near Sian, which the Communists captured last month. Aiding the Nationalists in the counter-attack were Mohammedan troops from the North West. (Nationalist casualty figures often are exaggerated.)

The military spokesman said the Nationalists had suffered only 2,000 casualties.

Fukien Loss

He said there had been no major fighting in the past week on the flood-washed South-Central China front.

The Reds, who pressed Westward from Sian, have been caught in a pincers movement from the North and South and driven back almost to Sian, the spokesman said.

The Nationalists, he said, have taken 3,000 rifles, 36 machine guns, eight artillery pieces and 27 vehicles.

Nationalist leaders in the Shensi fighting are Hu Tsung-nan, who evacuated Sian, and Ma Fu-feng, whose ill-equipped Mohammedan troops are among China's best fighters.

Nationalist forces abandoned Tushan, rail town in North East-Kiangsi, which they recaptured less than 10 days ago.

In announcing this loss, the Central News Agency, Kuomintang Press association, said the Communist guerrillas occupied Futing in Northern Fukien about 40 miles from the coast.

The same news agency stated that Communist troops in Hsin-kan on the Kan River in North-Kiangsi are on the increase.

On the North West front, Central News claimed the capture of Wukung and Chouchih, North and South respectively of the Wei River about 65 miles West of Sian, on June 14.

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School Textbooks To Be Revised

Shanghai, June 16. The Communist authorities here today laid down the principles for revision of the textbooks for primary and middle schools.

The principles, according to Tai Pai-tao, Director of the City Education Committee of the Military Control Commission, are:

1. Contents of the textbooks must conform to the interests of the mass of the people and the nation and not those of landlords and bureaucratic capitalists and must not blindly copy Western culture;

2. They must be based on realism and co-ordinate with reality;

3. They must be scientific and materialist in approach and must be anti-superstition and anti-subjectivity.

In addition to the three principles, Tai also laid down four points of attention, as follows:

1. Contents of the textbooks must not be derogatory to the nation or damaging to national standpoint and tendencies.

2. They must not be anti-Communist or anti-people on anti-democratic;

3. They must not speak for world fascism;

4. They must not violate the laws of the people's government especially the "eight contractual laws" which are the basic policy of the city government.

Elaborating, Tai said the contents should be anti-imperialism, anti-fascism and anti-bureaucratic capitalism and for thorough implementation of the educational principles of the "new democracy."

Four of the largest Chinese book publishing companies—the Commercial Press, Chungshun, Kaiming and the World Publishing House—have formed a publishing committee to undertake the overall direction and supervision of publication of textbooks for primary and middle schools. They have invited over 20 teachers to act as consultants. United Press.

Monty Holds Press Conference At H.Q.



These four studies of Field Marshal Viscount Montgomery, Commander-in-Chief of the Western Union military forces, were made during a press conference he held in the main salon of the Chateau de Courances, near Fontainebleau, France. Monty wears grey slacks, grey sweater, green-grey tweed jacket and an Army shirt. During his stay in France he resides at the Chateau de Courances, which is owned by the Marquis Hubert de Ganay. The Marquis, with his family, now lives in the right wing of the Chateau. (AP Photo.)

REDS DRAGGING CHANNEL AT YANGTSE MOUTH

Shanghai, June 16. Shanghai harbour, closed for the eighth day by the reported Nationalist mining of the lower Yangtse river, is expected to be thrown open again within the next 24 hours, following the departure from Woosung this afternoon of two shallow draught vessels on a mine sweeping mission.

These vessels left the Whangpoo river yesterday evening but spent the night at Woosung owing to bad weather. One of them is British-owned.

It was left behind by the British Navy in the care of the local British Consulate-General when foreign warships decided to evacuate the Whangpoo during the Battle of Shanghai.

The Dutch steamer Meerkerk, due from Hong Kong tomorrow morning, will be the first to enter the channel and is officially declared cleared and safe. According to the local agents, she will stand by off the Yangtse mouth about 40 miles East of Woosung until in receipt of final orders to steam in or to return South.

Dragging of the ship channel at the Yangtse mouth began this afternoon to determine whether it contains any mines.

This became known despite official secrecy after the alleged mining of the river on June 9 resulted in the stoppage of shipping for a week.

The sweeping is of an exploratory nature to ascertain whether mines have been laid. If mines are found, more elaborate sweeping will be necessary.

The British Consulate-General lent one of the craft to Shanghai harbour pilots who agreed to do the job. The British took the position that the extreme urgency of the shipping situation made it advisable for all concerned to lend craft for the dragging job.

Two foreign pilots, one British and one American, with Chinese crews, undertook the job under the eye of the pilot boat, which on June 9 saw a Nationalist LST in what looked like mine-laying operations.

Ready To Sail

If no mines are found after a suitably wide area is swept, ships will be notified that the channel is unmined within those limits. No official announcement is expected. Shipping will resume without further fanfare. Officially the port has never been closed.

The names of the British and American pilots commanding the two MFPV's were withheld. The craft are diesel-powered and about eight feet of water. They were considered superior for the job to the more powerful Floating Rehabilitation Administration's vessels, because of their wooden hulls.

Two ships, the S and A, Shanghai for Hong Kong and the American China Victory for

San Francisco have been waiting to leave since the date of the alleged river mining. If the channel is found safe, both are expected to put to sea on the first good tide thereafter.

The dragging, which is expected to be completed by or shortly after nightfall, is being done despite reports that two Nationalist gunboats are lying off the river mouth somewhere. They have been sighted by lighthouse watchers and one of them on June 9 ordered the pilot boat out of the river.

Effect Of Move

The Communist Military Control Commission said only that some minesweeping is going on but details are not available.

The effect of the British lending of the needed boat for this operation is being watched with interest by both foreign and Chinese observers.

The British have been trying to get their sloop, Amethyst, out of mid-Yangtse ever since the battle with Communist shore batteries late in April. The Communists refuse to clear Amethyst, claiming some sort of compensation because some 250 Red soldiers were killed. The British lost more than 40 killed in the ship-shore duel which involved four ships.

Reuter and Associated Press.

Fishermen's Ordeal On The High Seas

Thirteen Formosan fishermen drifted in high seas for seven days and subsisted only on fresh water for seven days before they were rescued North of Luxon by the mv. Tamarite, which arrived here yesterday.

The men are being given permission by the Tung Wah Hospital while awaiting repatriation to Taiwan by the next available ship.

One man is still missing and is believed to be dead.

From the licence produced by the men when interviewed at the hospital last evening, it was revealed that they were personnel of a 19-ton Japanese-type mechanized fishing trawler, manned by 14 persons.

BUSINESSMEN ADVOCATE RECOGNITION OF REDS

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The types of importable and exportable goods are not listed but the Radio says that the Communist Foreign Trade Administration Bureau has the right to classify the categories of goods as conditions demand.

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CARDINAL MAY BE SET FREE

Vienna, June 16.

The Hungarian Communist chief, Matyas Rakosi, has indicated his willingness in principle to release Joseph Cardinal Mindszenty from prison in the near future, a Roman Catholic Church source said today.

Rakosi explained his position by saying: "The Cardinal is no longer dangerous to us and his release might actually serve as a propaganda asset." The Cardinal would be permitted to seek medical care or exile in the West.

The Catholic source here, who declined to be quoted by name, said Rakosi recently discussed the Mindszenty issue with several trusted Parliamentary officials and told them: "We principle we don't object to Cardinal Mindszenty's release from prison in the near future to permit him to stay in a sanatorium or to seek exile in a Western country."

(Vatican sources in Rome said last week the Cardinal's mental condition is deteriorating and that the Prime Minister of the Catholic Church in Hungary has no recollection of the treason trial by which the Communist Government there sentenced him to life imprisonment.)

The Catholic official said the bulk of the Hungarian Communist leaders have for a long time been opposed to the Cardinal's detention on the grounds that it antagonises the population more than it is worth to the Communist cause.

The official said reports reaching from friends of the Cardinal's mother indicate that Cardinal Mindszenty is completely broken physically as well as mentally.—United Press.

KUNG HOARD UNCOVERED

Shanghai, June 16. The "Emancipation Daily" today reported that another large hoard of goods belonging to the H. H. Kung clique has been discovered in Shanghai.

The value of the hoard is not given but is said to include drugs, steel plates, printing presses and subterranean sewage tools.—United Press.

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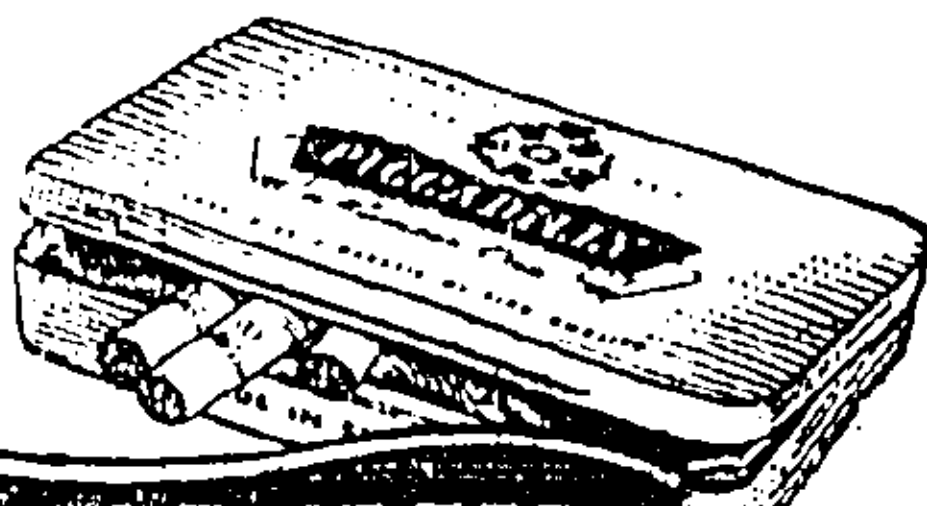
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COURT DISMISSES A SECOND APPEAL

The decisions of Mr. Justice Reynolds and of a Tenancy Tribunal on a dispute over tenancy was upheld by a Full Appeal Court yesterday. The appeal against the said decisions was dismissed with costs.

The appeal, made by T. T. Kong of 2-4 Pau Cheung Street, Kowloon, was based on the grounds that the Tribunal's decision was against the weight of evidence and was wrong in law.

A cross-appeal lodged by the respondent, Ding Gow, of 301 Prince Edward Road, was allowed by the Full Court. The appellant was ordered to pay the costs of the previous hearing before Mr. Justice Reynolds.

In December 1948, Kong had appealed against the decision of the Tribunal which ordered his eviction. The appeal was dismissed on March 11, 1949, by Mr. Justice Reynolds.

Kong was represented by Mr. V.J.L. D'Alton instructed by Mr. M.A. de Silva.

Mr. Eldon Potter KC, and the Hon. Leo d'Almon, KC, appeared on behalf of the respondent, instructed by Mr. P.L. Lam.

The Full Court comprised the Chief Justice, Sir Leslie Gibson, and Mr. Justice Williams, Puisne Judge.

In giving his decision, the Chief Justice said in part:

"This appeal and cross-appeal arise out of an order for eviction made by a Tenancy Tribunal in respect of premises 2-4 Pau Cheung Street. The Tribunal found that T. T. Kong was a tenant of the premises but that, since he did not pay pecuniary rent, he was not protected by the Proclamation and could be evicted."

"T. T. Kong appealed to the Supreme Court on the ground that the Tenancy Tribunal had no jurisdiction to evict him under Article 5(1) of the Proclamation. The Full Court cross-appealed against the finding of the Tribunal that T. T. Kong was a tenant. The appeal and cross-appeal came before Mr. Reynolds, and both were dismissed."

"It is from that decision that the parties now appeal and cross-appeal to this Court."

Argument

The Court went on to deal with the argument Mr. D'Alton put forward and his contention that since the Tribunal had found that the appellant was a tenant, the appellant was a person who claimed possession under a landlord.

Mr. D'Alton, the Court said, had also contended that although his client was a tenant who did not pay pecuniary rent, he was not liable to eviction under Article 5(1) (a), and that only a trespasser was liable to eviction.

"Mr. D'Almon," Sir Leslie stated, "submitted that Article 5(1) (a) applied to any person who was not a tenant for the purposes of the Proclamation. Mr. D'Alton submitted that the decisions in these two appeals did not bind us, though he did not support his attempt to differentiate the Courts of this Colony and the appeal must be dismissed with costs."

After going through various arguments raised by counsel, the Chief Justice declared that Mr. D'Alton's proposition was no longer open to argument in the Courts of this Colony and the appeal must be dismissed with costs.

"This being so," he continued, "the cross-appeal is really only of academic interest, except as regards the question of costs. Mr. Potter challenges the finding that the appellant was a tenant on various grounds, and his first ground was that on Ding Loy, respondent's brother, who granted the tenancy in the first place, had no power to do so."

Agent Of Necessity

"Mr. Potter advanced a number of arguments in favour of his contention, one of them being that Ding Loy was an agent of necessity of the owner to create the tenancy, as the Tribunal and Mr. Reynolds had held."

The Chief Justice went on to say that there was no evidence before the Tribunal that Ding Loy had any authority to delegate to Ding Loy any of his powers as Ding Loy's attorney, but that the Tribunal apparently held that Ding Loy was an agent of necessity to let the premises, the necessity being the danger that the premises would be looted or damaged if they were left unoccupied in the conditions prevailing at the time of the Japanese occupation.

"We are not to assume that at all times when Hong Kong was under Japanese military occupation that there was a great danger of unoccupied houses being looted or damaged. Nor are we to assume that if there was danger in the earlier stages of the occupation, the danger continued unabated until the end of 1942."

There was no evidence on which the doctrine of agency of necessity could be founded, and in our opinion Ding Loy never had the right to let the premises as a tenant in the premises. The appellant was therefore technically never more than a trespasser and the Tribunal's decision must be allowed with costs."

"The respondent must also have his costs of the appeal and cross-appeal allowed to him, which we allow in the sum of \$250."

The Full Court also made an order for possession of the premises within 30 days against the appellants and any other occupiers, and confirmed the order for mesne profits made on June 4, 1949.

Correspondence

The Editor takes no responsibility for views expressed in letters by correspondents, and he means necessarily agree with them.

Civil Service Pensions

Sir—You will no doubt be surprised to receive this letter, as the civil servant has not been given to answering the charges frequently levelled against him in the correspondence he receives. However, when a regular contributor such as "W." by quoting a number of supposed facts, endeavours to show that the pension bill is too big, that it will be bigger, and that it could be reduced, it is all fairness to the civil servant, the public should be informed of the inaccuracies in his assumptions.

The first error is the statement that the pension bill is \$7,000,000. "W." does not mention however that the actual total of \$7,000,000 is for Widows and Orphans Pensions and refunds, quite a separate subject, and which sum is in any case off-set by an item under revenue of \$1,000,000 for contributions from officers. Nor does "W." mention the \$450,000 for Volunteer Disability and Widows Pensions which have no connection with the Civil Service as such and would not be begrudged by any taxpayer with a memory going back to December 1941. The actual total of \$5,180,000 or less than 3 per cent of the Annual Budget, and of this, \$250,000 is for temporary cost of living additions.

Secondly, retirement at 45. This recommendation was made by the Civil Service Commission was qualified by its inability to gauge the cost. The cost to Government has been found to be negligible, for retirement earlier means a smaller pension and a smaller salary for the officer retiring.

"W." paints a picture of officers retiring at 45 years of age on a \$2,000 basic—the might have carried his researches further to find that there are less than 10 such officers with a present salary of \$2,000 per month basic, and not all of these are likely to retire immediately. It is frequently overlooked that a pension is based on two factors, length of service and average income during the last three years. The result is that whether an officer retires at 45, 50 or 55 the net size of the pension bill is much the same, for the earlier he retires, although he has longer to enjoy it, he has less to enjoy.

The picture of Police Officers retiring at 45 on two-thirds of basic salary might have been completed by stating the new rule, which at the tender age of 12 first donning the blue as he commenced the 33 years service now required to qualify for the maximum two-thirds pension.

Further states that the average life expectancy of a civil servant in England is 62. As I am reliably informed that insurance companies quote an average life expectancy of 72 years in England and 60 years in the tropics, it seems that the poor civil servant is expected to live 10 years longer than his more fortunate average non-government employee. Why not let the few who can afford to, slip away at 45?

It must also be remembered that Government can pay greater efficiency call upon an officer to retire at 45, so it is not by any means a one-sided affair. "W." then proceeds to suggest that a superannuation fund would be preferable and more economical. Many officers would no doubt welcome such a move, they might then be able to resign before 45 without sacrificing their pension, but not at the expense of 5 per cent of salary. The recent Salaries Commission review and salaries in comparison with non-government appointments and made its recommendations having "if anything, urged on the conservative side in making our general recommendations for revised basic salaries."

These salaries are no course allow for the non-contributory pension factor so that any suggestion of a contributory superannuation fund could only be provided by increasing basic salaries to cover the contribution. I submit, however, that the basic salaries of the civil servant are not too high, and that the pension bill is not too big, and that the civil servant is not too well paid. The public, and all men of

FAREWELL TO FIRE CHIEF

Personnel of the Fire Brigade turned up in full force at a farewell tea party given at Central Station yesterday in honour of Chief Officer W. M. Smith, who is retiring after 23 years of service.

Accompanied by Deputy Chief Officer C. W. Brand and Divisional Officer R.H.J. Brooks, CO Smith inspected units of the Fire Brigade, headed by Station Officers C. W. Browne, V. C. Seymour, L. W. Shipway, P. H. Young, S. T. Chalk, W. T. Wong and Mechanical Engineer E. Brown.

A red silk scroll, inscribed "Happy Memories from Members of the Hong Kong Fire Brigade," and a cabinet of cutlery, were presented to the outgoing Chief Officer by Mr. Lee Ping-ching, Secretary and Executive Officer, on behalf of the members.

In his address to the gathering, Mr. Lee recalled that the Fire Brigade was completely rehabilitated after the Liberation due principally to the untiring effort and hard work of Mr. Smith. "Mr. Smith is not only always very considerate towards his subordinates but also affords great help to the widows or orphans of members of the department. After the war when the price of rice was ceiling high, Mr. Smith used his good offices to persuade the Rice Controller to supply our men with additional quantities of rice at the controlled price on top of the clerical allowance which was found insufficient to meet the men's daily quota."

"He left no stone unturned when he made his appearance before the Salaries Commission. As a result we can see for ourselves that we are well placed when compared with other civil servants of the Colony."

"Mr. Smith introduced the day-on, day-off leave system for the rank and file and saw fit to improve the leave regulations of the officer grade. He showed no racial discrimination among his subordinates in that he recommended the promotion of four Chinese officers to the rank of Station Officers, which had hitherto been held by Europeans only."

Only recently Mr. Smith has signified his willingness to allot us a room inside the Central Fire Station to carry out the activities of our trade union," the speaker declared. Deputy Chief Officer Brand said that Mr. Smith must be happy in his retirement because his work in rehabilitating the Brigade had been a great achievement.

"Thanking the speakers, Mr. Smith declared that if he had been instrumental in raising the efficiency of the Brigade to the high degree at which it now stands it was through the help and co-operation of the staff."

DISTURBING THE PEACE

For playing musical instruments at 11 o'clock in the night, Tai Kuen, merchant and Tam Kwah-chung, tailor worker, were fined \$16 each at Central yesterday. They were charged with disturbing public peace.

Judgment Reserved In Silk Store Case

Mr. Justice Williams, Puisne Judge, reserved his decision at the Supreme Court yesterday in the dispute over occupation of premises, in which King's Silk Store, of 78 Queen's Road Central, is the defendant.

The Court adjourned only after long legal closing submissions had been delivered by counsel.

Plaintiff, Leung Sul-po, trading as the Sul Pong Company, is suing Dowdanas Paribatra, proprietor of the silk store, for damages alleged to have been caused in effect by obstruction in the latter's business. Leung also seeks a declaration of the Court that he is a rightful tenant of the premises.

Mr. B. A. Bernacchi instructed by Mr. Peter H. Shi is representing the plaintiff. The King's Silk Store is represented by Mr. D. A. Wright on the instructions of Mr. A. M. L. Soares of Braddon and Company.

The same respect and treatment as any employee of the most advanced employer, and that includes security for his retirement, for only if this is so, can you hope to get the best type of man to join the civil service; bank salary alone will never attract him."

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FOR AND ON BEHALF OF
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Farewell To Brigade Chief



Chief Officer W. M. Smith addressing members of the Fire Brigade at the farewell tea party given in his honour at Central Station yesterday. Sitting on either side of Mr. Smith are Mr. Lee Ping-ching, Secretary and Executive Officer, and Deputy Chief Officer C. W. Brand. ("China Mail" photo).

New Equipment For Macao Electric Co. Modernising City Lighting System

The Macao Electric Company Limited, at its 34th annual general meeting yesterday, announced that it has entered into commitments for new plant and equipment amounting to about HK\$5,000,000, to be spent over the next three years. Business during 1948 showed an increase over that of the previous year, and there has been a steady growth in small industries connected to the Company's power service.

Mr. F. J. Gellion, the chairman of the Board, who presided, said:

"Your Directors recommend the following appropriations to be made and these recommendations have been incorporated in the accounts as presented:—

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| To pay a Dividend of 22 per share on 146,438 shares | \$292,876 |
| To pay to the Government of Macao five per cent on amount distributed as dividend in the terms of Clause 15 of the Extension Contract | 14,643 |
| To transfer to Plant Replacement Reserve | 400,000 |
| To carry forward unappropriated | 43,062 |

The Town Council, under the year decided to modernise the city's street lighting equipment by installing "Osira" high pressure mercury vapour lamps throughout the main avenues and streets of the Colony, part of this installation has already been completed and in service, and the balance will be completed before the end of this year.

Underground Mains

"The mains to supply these lamps have all been put underground and at the same time in certain localities the low tension mains feeding consumers' premises have also been put underground."

We anticipate that all our mains will be underground next year and in the best of condition.

"With regard to the Claim, I am pleased to inform you that the negotiations have been recently concluded and naturally will be covered in the accounts of this year."

"A study of the balance sheet will reveal that our fixed assets have been written down to a value far below their present replacement costs."

"Referring to the contingent liability which is shown in the balance sheet in connection with the Macao Waterworks Company, I regret to state that we will be called upon to shoulder part of this loss before the next accounts are presented to you."

New Plant

"The Company has entered into commitments for new plant and equipment amounting to about \$5,000,000, to be spent over the next three years and in order to assist in this expenditure, it will be necessary to make a new share issue next year."

"It will be seen from the balance sheet in your hands that our present financial condition is such that we can take care of the initial payments from our existing funds."

On the proposal of the chairman, seconded by Mr. M. G. Beale, the report and accounts were unanimously adopted.

Mr. Chung Si-kwong's appointment to the Board was confirmed, and Mr. M. G. Beale was re-elected as a Director.

Loew Bingham and Mathew were re-appointed auditors of the Company for the ensuing year.

The meeting was held in the board room of Loew Bingham and Mathew, Mercantile Bank Building.

Admiral Badger In Hong Kong

Admiral Oscar C. Badger, Commander of the United States Fleet, Western Pacific, arrived here yesterday in the USS St. Paul on an informal visit from Okinawa.

To the personnel of the American cruiser it will be a five-day recreational stay before they leave for the North on Sunday.

Mr. George D. General, Hong Kong U. S. Consul-General, paid a call on the Admiral aboard the cruiser.

So far no official reception has been planned.

It was officially stated last evening that Admiral Badger is not here to confer with any officials regarding the China situation.

Arriving from Manila yesterday by BOAC, Mr. Alvin Leila, Mrs. Helen Leila, Miss Elaine Leila, Mr. F. V. Strong, Mrs. M. E. Groce, Mr. T. Martin and Mr. J. Colquhoun.

Personalia

Mr. K. Lavard left for Amoy yesterday by ss. H. Jesson.

Departures for Saigon by Air France yesterday: Mrs. L. Hong-qua, Miss Ho Hong-tak, Miss Ho Hong-yu, Mst. Ho Hong-lok, Mr. Ho Ying-lo, Mr. Chung Hou Trac, Mr. Sun Shui-fan, Mr. Chau Wool-yung.

Departures from the Peninsula Hotel on Wednesday included Mrs. C. W. Morton, Mrs. Amy Wang, Mrs. G. M. Dickinson, Mrs. C. A. S. Russ, Mr. and Mrs. A. Major, Messrs. O. F. Leibu, Y. M. Forester, S. Chan, M. A. L. Crawshaw, G. Ho, D. R. Hockett, M. Macdonald, R. H. Hunt, E. J. Mercer, and E. L. Troughton.

Among the new arrivals at the Peninsula Hotel on Wednesday were Mr. and Mrs. E. Cran, Mrs. J. C. Carter, Dr. and Mrs. L. Ramond, Messrs. H. Lee, J. C. Yu, Kwok Chee-ho, T. Topping, and H. C. Wang.

Messrs. Tan su-how, L. C. Yeo, Victor A. Chan, Ma Ngok-lee and Goh Kah-chee, who arrived in the Colony yesterday by CPA from Singapore and Bangkok.

Mrs. L. L. Lees and her six-year-old daughter left Hong Kong for Swatow yesterday by the ss. Tainan.

Arrivals from Canton yesterday by the ss. Fatshan included Mr. H. H. Tiltman, Mr. R. E. Hodger, the Reverend Mr. P. Wm. Jones, Mrs. M. E. Jones, Mr. J. Keithwell, Mr. Wm. J. King, Mr. J. C. Grellitt, Mrs. M. K. Grellitt, Miss Ethel R. Groce, the Reverend Fr. M. T. Martin, Mr. Pierre A. Jourdan, Mr. Sonan Egrol, Mr. David J. Gahan and Mrs. H. A. B. Eichholzer.

Mr. W. P. Montgomery, United Kingdom Trade Commissioner, returned here yesterday from the United Kingdom by BOAC.

Others arrived here by BOAC from the United Kingdom yesterday were Miss J. King, Mr. and Mrs. G. M. Tingle, Miss J. Tingle, Mr. D. F. Allen and Mr. and Mrs. F. Frenthal.

Air arrivals from Bangkok by PAA yesterday: Mr. Michael King, Mr. Clifford King, Mr. Charles King, Mr. Bernard Nadeau, Mr. Don Bartlett, Miss Gertrude Bartlett, Mr. Irving Snyder, Mrs. Lucie Snyder and Mr. John Boyle.

Leaving for San Francisco yesterday by PAA were Mr. and Mrs. C. V. Starr, President of American International Underwriters Mr. and Mrs. Starr were sent off by Mr. Harold Dikby of the PAA office here.

Yesterday's departures for Manila by PAA: Miss Amelle Lee, Miss Alice Lee, Miss Jean Orkney, Miss Edith Nettle and Mr. Frederic A. Nettle.

Arrivals from Singapore yesterday by PAA: Mr. R. G. Young, Mr. C. R. Holmes, Captain R. B. Tapp, Mr. R. B. Martin, Mr. Triggs Henderson, Lieutenant Colonel G. C. Richards, Captain S. Payne, Mrs. S. J. Melvani and Mr. T. Dalani.

Passengers arriving here yesterday by Australian National Airways from Melbourne were: Mr. and Mrs. R. G. Galloway and three children, Mr. Ralph Alfred Edwards, Mr. Edward Harold Edwards and Mr. William Neil Norman.

Arriving here yesterday afternoon from Canton by the Hong Kong Airways: Mr. O. A. Smith, Mr. C. T. Suckler, Mr. L. H. Wade, Mr. J. B. Tapp, Mr. J. T. Molloy, Mr. J. J. McGee and Mr. C. G. Miller.

GOVERNMENT'S PLANS FOR IMPROVEMENT IN SCHOOLS

Reminders

Today
Ladies Section, European YMCA, Club Morning, 10 a.m.
League Lawn Tennis matches, King George V School Parents Association, Radiogram Concert, at School premises, 8.45 p.m.
Old Wellingtonian Dinner, Government House.
Diocesan Old Boys Association, cocktail party, at University Alumni Association, Queen's Building, 6 p.m.
European YMCA Swimming Gala and Dance, 7 to 11 p.m.
Mr. Hui Yau-mu's Collection of Old Chinese Paintings, Hotel Cecil, Chater Road, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.
European YMCA Ladies Section, Club Morning.

Coming Events TOMORROW
Lawn Bowls League matches, at all clubs.
VRC-Edinburgh AA Inter-Club Swimming Gala, 9.30 p.m.
VRC Swimming Gala at European YMCA, 7.30 p.m.

Belfast Seaman Discharged

Charged with malicious damage to property exceeding \$25, James Davey of HMS Belfast was discharged by Mr. F. X. d'Almada at Central yesterday. He was a watchman of the Cheung Kee Company, said that early yesterday morning he saw defendant at Chater Road bending over the aerial of a private car. He broke the aerial. While he was attempting to arrest defendant, the latter ran toward the Oriental Building. Chasing after him, he blew the police whistle. With the assistance of a policeman he arrested defendant. The broken aerial was found in defendant's possession. Defendant claimed that he knew nothing of the incident. He said that while he was walking along Chater Road yesterday morning on his way to his ship he raised the alarm. He denied that the broken aerial was in his possession when he was arrested.

CATHEDRAL FUND

The following is a list of the donations to St. John's Cathedral Restoration Fund received up to June 15, which have not yet been acknowledged in the press:

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| Miss E.S. Atkins | 5.00 |
| Miss E.M.H. Buckland | 10.00 |
| A.J.W. Evans | 10.00 |
| G.B. Wilby | 20.00 |
| Miss D. Wise | 10.00 |
| Brook Bernachi | 20.00 |
| Dr. and Mrs. J.H. Mackie | 20.00 |
| W.H. Young in memory of the late Mr. C.A. Sutherland-Russ | 25.00 |
| Miss E.S. Atkins | 5.00 |
| Miss E.M.H. Buckland | 10.00 |
| A.J.W. Evans | 10.00 |
| G.B. Wilby | 20.00 |
| Miss D. Wise | 10.00 |
| Brook Bernachi | 20.00 |
| The Hong Kong Jockey Club | 10,000.00 |
| Restoration Box | 89.63 |
| Total | \$10,281.66 |

Received up to April 25, and already acknowledged \$116,775.01

Total donations received up to June 15 \$116,892.60

ORGAN FUND

The following is a list of the donations to the St. John's Cathedral Organ Fund received up to June 15, which have not yet been acknowledged in the press:

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| Proceeds of the Organ Bazaar | \$16,000 |
| Hong Kong Light Orchestra | 47,600 |
| Organ Recital | 92,000 |
| Anonymous | 6,000 |
| Total | \$71,600 |

Received up to April 25 and already acknowledged \$24,171.51

Total donations received up to June 15 \$95,771.51

Donations may be sent to the Hon. Treasurer, Messrs. Frost, Marwick, Mitchell and Co., Telephone House.

TB DEATHS

Deaths from Tuberculosis during the week ended May 28, totalled 50, bringing the total since the beginning of the year to 1,070. Deaths from all causes during the week under review were 204. Births in the same period totalled 763.

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Better Education In New Buildings

Considerable concern has been caused recently as a result of reports that the present schools for Workers' Children were being discontinued. The following official explanation was issued yesterday by the Public Relations Officer to explain Government's intention of providing really adequate new school buildings to absorb these children and give them an improved education at reduced cost to their parents.

Owing to the destruction of the majority of Government Schools in the war period and to the great increase of population in Hong Kong after the war, the Colony has been faced during the last two or three years with a very serious shortage of school accommodation.

This has gradually been met by a steady increase in the number of schools—private schools, Government Subsidized Schools and Government Schools—until now there is accommodation in Hong Kong schools for approximately 130,000 students.

When it is remembered that a large percentage of the present Hong Kong population is not permanently domiciled in Hong Kong but is composed of refugees who have no very great claim on local educational facilities, it can be seen that the present provision is not very far short of the needs of the permanent Hong Kong residents.

The time has arrived, perhaps, when the question of raising the standard of education in existing schools which, in many cases, is distressingly low, is of equal importance with the question of increased accommodation. Two years ago when more school accommodation was the most vital need, premises were approved for use as schools which did not comply with the health regulations and were in many ways below the normal standard for schools.

The need was so great, especially for the children of poor working-class families who could not afford high school fees, a special committee was established under the guidance of Bishop Hall, the Reverend George She and representatives of the Labour Office and various Trade Unions to take all possible steps to provide school accommodation for Workers' Children at low fees.

Health Regulations
Government waived certain health regulations and gave approval, as a temporary measure, to the use of rooms in tenement houses and of trade union club rooms for school purposes.

Government gave financial help to the scheme by paying a special contribution of \$3 per pupil a month, a sum of approximately \$5,000.

These additional funds became available it is hoped that Government will be able to extend the scheme by creating still further schools specifically for the children of the poorer classes.

The inclusive monthly fees in these two new schools will be \$2 per month and are purposely kept lower than in other Government Schools so as to be well within the range of the poorest workers.

The children in the present Workers' Schools will therefore be in the happy position in September next of getting a better education, in brand new schools, at less than half their old fees.

SHANGHAI MAIL FOR HONG KONG
Shanghai, June 16. The first unofficial confirmation that mail taken by the Dutch steamship Tjibadak to Hong Kong has been delivered, was received here yesterday.

The Shanghai Gas Company received a radio message yesterday from Mr. H. Kadoorie, Chairman of its Board of Directors, saying that mail despatched to Hong Kong by the Dutch vessel has been delivered.—Reuter.

"EVENING POST" STILL CLOSED
Shanghai, June 16. For the second successive day, the "Evening Post" failed to appear this afternoon as the dispute between the management and workers over the wage question remained unresolved. There was no attempt to publish today, with the editorial staff staying away from the premises.

Reports are current that the management may decide to close down for good if no settlement is reached soon.—Reuter.

Chinese Chamber's Building

Work on the construction of the 12-storey building of the Chinese Chamber of Commerce on Connaught Road, Central, will start in three months' time. The "China Mail" was informed yesterday.

The first phase of the work would be the pulling down of the existing building which has housed the Chamber since its establishment more than 40 years ago. More than HK\$400,000 of the building fund of \$800,000 has been raised to date, and it is expected that the balance will be found by the end of the month.

Mr. Ko Cheuk-hung, Chairman of the Chamber, said the response from members for funds for the new building exceeded expectation.

The result was the more gratifying, considering the present unsettled conditions, and it bespoke the unshaken confidence of merchants in the future of Hong Kong, despite the rumours going around said Mr. Ko.

When these two new Government schools are completed in September 1949, Government has decided to make all the accommodation in them available for the pupils now housed in the unsuitable premises of the present schools for Workers' Children.

The two new schools together will be nearly sufficient to house all the children from these schools, and thus will give them an improved educational standard in new and suitable school buildings under the supervision of the fulltime professional education staff of the Education Department.

The temporary scheme under which Government waived regulations and allowed the use of unsuitable premises will therefore end, and a permanent scheme will start giving the Workers' Children a suitable education in worthy premises.

As additional funds become available it is hoped that Government will be able to extend the scheme by creating still further schools specifically for the children of the poorer classes.

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Troops Sent To Jap Factory
Tokyo, June 16. Two platoons of Australian troops late last night visited the Hiroshima plant of the Japan Steel Manufacturing Company, where strikers clashed twice with Japanese police during the previous 48 hours.

The platoons were part of a force alerted in case of rioting in the area, and the visit to the factory was officially described as a routine exercise.

When the Australians arrived, 150 demonstrators, including a large percentage of women, were standing outside the factory in the rain and singing the International. A crowd of 15,000 had earlier been expected to attend the demonstration.

The Australian troops left the factory after a short inspection.—Reuter.

UNION CHURCH FUND
The following donations to the Union Church Re-building Fund are acknowledged:

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| Previously acknowledged: | \$15,481 |
| Hong Kong and Whampoa Dock Co. Ltd. | 2,000 |
| The Commercial Press Ltd. | 25 |
| Mr. A. Davis | 100 |
| Mr. and Mrs. J.H. Mitchell | 100 |
| Mr. and Mrs. D.W. Hume | 100 |
| Leo 251 | 100 |
| Mollers Ltd. | 1,000 |
| Total | \$18,701 |

Cathedral Wedding



Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Rankine after their wedding at St. John's Cathedral yesterday.—("China Mail" photo).

Assistant Trade Official Wed At The Cathedral

Miss Agnes Joan Adamson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. Adamson of Johannesburg, South Africa, became the bride of Mr. Harold Hubert Rankine, Australian Government Assistant Trade Commissioner and son of Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Rankine of Melbourne, Australia, at St. John's Cathedral yesterday.

The bride was given away by Mr. Hugh Wrigley, Australian Government Trade Commissioner. She looked charming in a gown of white and silver brocade cut on classical lines with the train falling from a bow at the waistline.

The bride's embroidered-edged tulle veil was held in place by a coronet of orange blossoms. She carried a bouquet of white gladioli.

Mrs. Margaret Volck, sister of the bride, was the Matron-of-Honour. She wore a dress of lacaranda blue crepe cut on close fitting lines with a square neck. Her head-dress was composed of a halo of matching ostrich feathers.

For his best man, the bridegroom had the services of Mr. Kenneth Noble, Canadian Government Trade Commissioner.

The marriage ceremony at St. John's Cathedral was performed by the Reverend Mr. J. H. Ogilvie. Following the wedding ceremony, a reception was held at the Hong Kong Club annexe. Among those present were: Noble, Canadian Trade Commissioner, Colonel L. T. Rides, Mr. Pung Ping-fan, Mr. T. W. Kwok, Special Commissioner for Kwangtung and Kwangsi, Mrs. T. W. Kwok, Commander and Mrs. Beching, Mr. and Mrs. P. J. Kessel, Mr. Hugh Wrigley, Australian Trade Commissioner, and many others, including members of the Australian community.

The couple left later for Fanning where the honeymoon is to be spent. For her going-away dress the bride wore a jumpsuit of cream crepe with brown accessories.

Denial Of Guard Story
There is no truth in the report that the Chinese Chamber of Commerce had been approached by a Street Guards organization. Mr. Ko Cheuk-hung, Chamber, yesterday told the "China Mail."

Mr. Ko was referring to the report in the Press yesterday of such a proposed organization, to serve as an auxiliary police unit. The Chamber had never been approached by anyone on such a proposal, said Mr. Ko.

Asked if the Chamber would assist if approached by the Government, Mr. Ko replied that a Street Guards organization was unnecessary. The police were quite capable of maintaining law and order and unless conditions deteriorated, which was most unlikely, there was no call for further auxiliary police units to be set up.

A similar denial was issued by the Public Relations Officer yesterday. It stated that there was no truth whatsoever in reports that the street guards would be under the control of the Commissioner of Police.

Rent Was Too High
Wong Suk-ning and his wife, Chan Fung-king, principal tenant of 186, Queen's Road Central, 2nd floor, were summoned before the JP court at Central yesterday on six counts of breach of the Landlord and Tenant Ordinance.

Three charges were for receiving amounts exceeding the rents permitted by the provisions of the Ordinance.

The other three charges were for failing to give a sub-tenant a receipt for amounts paid, failing to give notice in writing of part of such rent attributed to premises payable by sub-tenant, and failing to affix in a conspicuous part of the premises a notice stating amount of rent payable to the landlord.

Defendants pleaded guilty and were fined \$250 on all the six charges.

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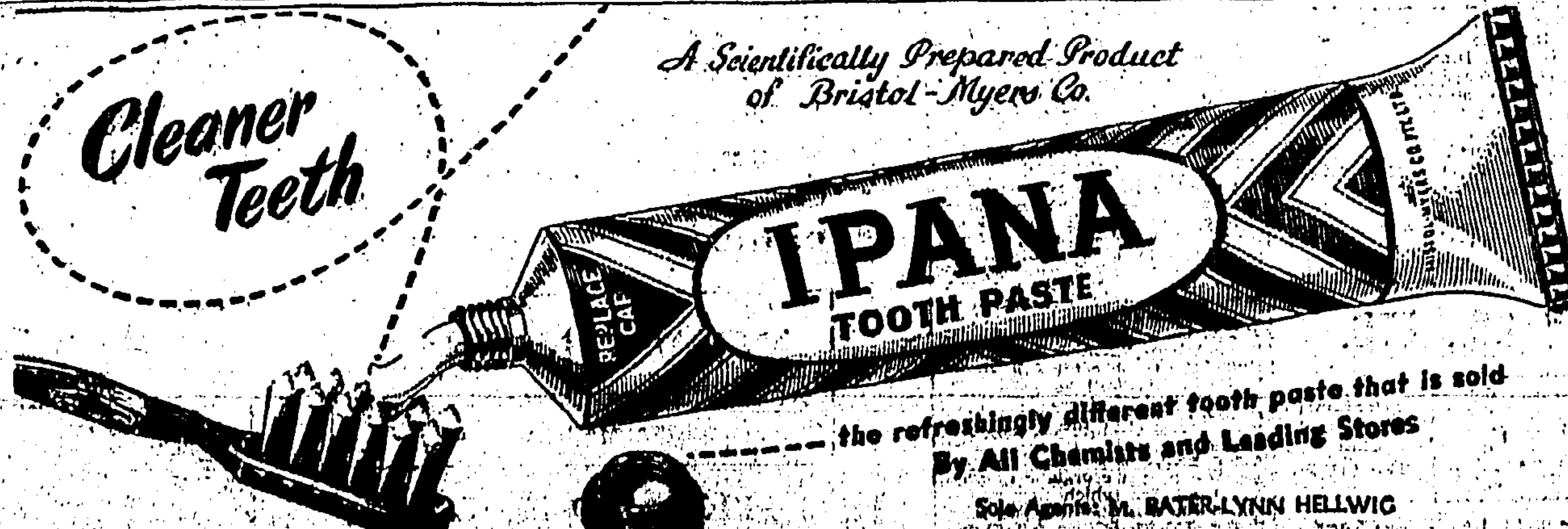
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No. 885.

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A. All vehicles must be weighed in presence of a Police Officer. Vehicles can be weighed in Hong Kong or Kowloon at Vehicular Ferry Wharf daily 7 a.m. to 10 a.m. from 21st June 1949 to 21st July 1949. A fee of 50 cents will be charged.

B. Vehicle must be submitted for inspection by Police by appointment and weight certificate surrendered to Inspecting Officer as under:

Hong Kong:—
Caroline Hill Road.
8 a.m. to 12.00 noon daily.

Kowloon:—
Fook Wing St.
8 a.m. to 12.00 noon daily.
Saturdays, Sundays and Holidays excepted.

2. Appointments for inspection can be made:—

Hong Kong:—
Telephone 30246.
Inspector Clark.

Kowloon:—
Telephone 50735
Inspector Sargent.

COMMISSIONER OF POLICE.

June 16, 1949.

MARINE DEPARTMENT
NOTICE NO. 21 of 1949

TO MASTERS, OWNERS AND AGENTS OF VESSELS IN THE PORT OF VICTORIA.

The waters of the Port of Victoria are now dangerously congested by the large number of merchant vessels in harbour, and it is considered necessary, during the present typhoon season, (1st June—15th October) that every "laid up" ship or moored hulk over 60 tons net should proceed to a safe typhoon anchorage outside the Port limits. The term "laid up" ship shall be interpreted as a vessel which has been continuously in port for over 30 days.

Every Master of such a vessel is therefore warned of the advisability of taking this action immediately in the interests of Port safety and to assist in relieving congestion. The Director of Marine has authority to compel vessels to move berth under Section 22, sub-section 5 of the Merchant Shipping Ordinance No. 10 of 1899 and penalties are provided for enforcing this authority.

The warning however, does not, apply to vessels undergoing major repair or overhaul in the local dockyards, if the Director of Marine is satisfied that the vessels are, in fact, under such repair, or to vessels now in process of being broken up.

N. GARLAND,
Acting Director of Marine.
Marine Office,
Hong Kong, June 15, 1949.

NOTICE

Recruitment of Chinese constables into the Hong Kong Police Force:

1. Applicants may apply for interview every Tuesday weekly as from 08.45 hours at Western Police Station.

2. Applicants should be of good physique, under 25 years of age and able to read and write.

COMMISSIONER OF POLICE.

June 9, 1949.

SALE OF CROWN LAND

An auction sale of Crown Land will be held at P.W.D. Headquarters on Monday, the 20th day of June, 1949, at 3 p.m.

The area which comprises 10,000 square feet is situated at To Kwa Wan Road, Kowloon and is suitable for industrial purposes.

Further particulars are available from the Government Gazette of 10th June, 1949, or from the Crown Lands & Survey Office.

ANDREW NICOL,
Acting
Director of Public Works.

June 4, 1949.

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TENANCY APPEAL

Infringement Of
Rights By
Appellant Party

An appeal against the decision of a Tenancy Tribunal on the grounds that it was against the weight of evidence and was wrong in law, was dismissed with costs by Mr. Justice Scholes, Acting Puisne Judge, at the Appeal Court yesterday.

The Court held that appellant knew he was infringing the rights when he used premises which had been agreed upon to be for a residence, for industry.

Appellant, Fong Sun-to, of 20 Kimberley Road, third floor, against whom the Tenancy Tribunal had ordered eviction, was represented by Mr. M. A. da Silva.

Respondents, Wong Sun-poo and Eng Two-ngan of 29 Kimberley Road, first floor, were represented by Mr. P. J. Griffiths of Wilkinson and Grist.

The opponents had applied for Fong's eviction on the grounds that he had failed to pay rent since December 1948, and that he had used the premises for other than residential purposes which constituted a breach of contract.

Giving judgment, Mr. Scholes recalled that Mr. Silva had argued

that, if the parties had intended that they should be used as a residence only, the word "only" would have been put in the agreement.

The Court also recalled how Mr. Silva pointed out that the grounds of the appeal did not deal with the question of "waiver," but with acquiescence. Mr. Griffiths opposed all these grounds.

A Breach

"In my opinion," Mr. Scholes stated, "it is the clear intention of the parties to the agreement which was the basis of the tenancy that the premises are to be used as a residence. It is clear in this case from the evidence that the premises were primarily used for industrial purposes, for purposes of business."

"In my opinion, from the agreement, it is clear that the intention of the parties was that the premises were to be used as a residence, and that it is a breach of that agreement when they are primarily used for industrial purposes as was the case here."

As to the question of acquiescence, the Court ruled that there was no acquiescence here. Mr. Scholes went on to say that it was clear that appellant knew that he was infringing the rights when he used the premises for industry because the agreement clearly said that the premises were to be used for a residence.

On the question of "waiver," the Court held that it had been held many times by the court that section 20 of the Landlord and Tenant Ordinance was mandatory, and that where the provisions of the Ordinance had been complied with, then the tribunal should give the order under the section asked for.

Holding that as under section 18(d) a landlord could not waive his rights, the Tenancy Tribunal was right in its decision, Mr. Scholes dismissed the appeal with costs.

HKDF
ORDERS

Orders by Colonel L.T. RIDE, CBE, ED, Commandant, Hong Kong Defence Force, dated June 16, 1949.

Relinquishment of Commission HKVDCI: The following extract from Hong Kong Government Gazette No. 34 dated June 10, 1949 is published:—"No. 577. It is hereby notified for general information that Captain J.B. Rodriguez, MBE, ED, late of the Hong Kong Volunteer Defence Corps, relinquishes his commission with effect from June 3, 1949, retaining the rank of Captain. June 3, 1949."

Qualifying Course—38 yards Range: The following recruits will parade at HQ 8.30 p.m. on Tuesday, June 21, to receive their qualifying course on the 30 yards range:—Rifle: P. Slater, J. Macken, L.E.V. Rumble, D.W. Dunlop, G.C. Coleman, W.P. Goodfellow, W.A. Nicholas, H. Torrance, C.O. Chambers, D.J.R. Blaker, J.B.S. Mackay, D. Champion, J. R. Fairclough, J.W. Ferris, L.C. Strang.

Detachment Training Programme—week ending June 25: Squad A1, A2, A3—Squad Drill—Elementary, Loading and unloading, Aiming II—Other targets and slanting. Squad A4, A5, A6—Squad Drill—Elementary, Firing a shot, Miniature Range, Squad A7, A8, A9, A10—Squad Drill—Elementary, Aiming I, Elementary, Trigger Control, Squad B1, B2, B3, Squad Drill—Elementary, Firing a shot, PWT—Squad Drill—Elementary, Miniature Range—Grouping, PWT—Aiming II—Other targets and slanting. Squad B4, B5, B6, B7, Squad Drill—Elementary, Miniature Range—Grouping, PWT—Aiming II—Other targets and slanting. Squad B8, B9, B10, B11, B12—Squad Drill—Elementary, PWT—Firing a shot, PWT—Loading and unloading, Squad B13, Squad Drill—Elementary, Firing a shot Part 1. Firing a shot Part 2.

Training—Hong Kong Regiment: The following Privates will parade at HQ 8.30 p.m. for training. Full details of the training programme will be published later:—W.D.L. Ride, C.F. Miles, R.C. Cooper, T.D. Borby, W.J. Darby, D.W. Jones, P.W.S. Cutler, G.H. Calvert, W.J. D. Cooper, A. Todd, G.C. Hamilton, R. Thompson.

Hong Kong Auxiliary Force—Essential Services: When a recruitment programme is in progress, the following are now being called forward for recruitment. It is being called forward for information that the enrolment procedure for the branch of the Force is exactly the same as for a combat unit. The procedure takes the following forms:—(a) X-ray examination, (b) Medical examination, (c) Attestation. Once personnel of the Essential Services Wing have completed this procedure they are fully fledged members of HKDF and, as such, are entitled to full benefits under the Ordinance in the same way as members of the combat units. They are not, however, obliged to undergo any training, unless they so wish and they will not be called out except in an emergency.

Volunteers Change of Address: All personnel who have either registered for or enrolled in HKDF are requested to inform this HQ of any change in their address as soon as it occurs. This is important as otherwise it is extremely difficult to keep track of people.

Overseas Service Benefit Leave and Demobilisation Clothing Allowance: Applicants for the benefit of HKVDCI will be considered for Overseas Service Leave Benefit and Demobilisation Clothing Allowance until September 30, 1949. After this date no further claims will be considered.

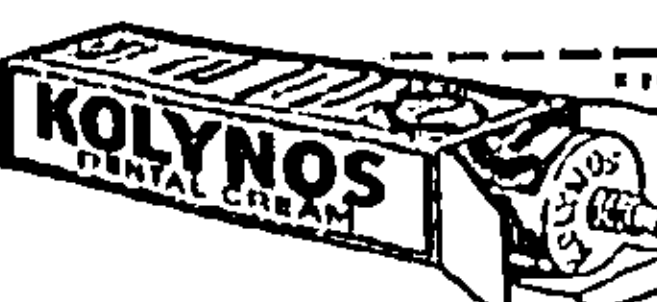
Attestation: In order to speed up the attestation of personnel who have passed their medical examination the following are asked to attend at this HQ at 8 p.m. on the days stated below:—Monday, June 20: G.A. Allen, A.P. B. Anderson, M.A. Arnold, R.C. Dapkin, S.M. Bard, V.A. Barradas, G.P. Binkins, A.A. Bismar, L. Bruny, G. Carr, Chan Choo, W.T.C. Chang, G. H. Chan, G. H. Chan, V.P. Andrews, F.H. Pail, E.G.K. Humphrey, Tuesday, June 21: P.E. Hutson, B. Jones, D.O. Leach, P.L. Leong, A.W. Levitt, J. Linaker, A.J.D. McFarlane, L.J. McFarlane, G. Mayne, E.J. Morlan, N. Morganstern, A.L. Nery, A.R. Oswald, H.C.K. Parker, G.F. Remedios, A.J.V. Ribeiro, M.P. Ribeiro, Wednesday, June 22: G. H. Chan, G.L. Butler, A.M.J. Silva, G.A.S. Silva, I.O.T. Sin, J.L. Smith, G.E. Strickland, Sun Hong, E. Tse, The Kiang Tse, G.N. Thomas, J.A. Thibb, G.M. van Linschoten, F.E.Y. Walcott, D.A. Webb, F.Z. Whitehead.

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ORDINARILY the fine bidder proceeds with quiet, careful hurry, being in no terrific hurry to proclaim the power of a good holding. There are times, however, when he should shout as loudly as he can about his hand's strength. That is true if he has passed his first turn with cards which after his partner's bid, make it a moral certainty his side can score a game. Then he should yell that fact so emphatically that there is no chance for his partner to mistake his intentions.

S K 8 4
H K 10 6
D K Q
C 9 8 4 2
S A 9 5
H Q 9 8 4 2
D 10 6 3 2
C A

S J 10 7 2
H A J 7 5
D 8 7
C Q 10 5

(Dealer: North. Both sides vulnerable).

| North | East | South | West |
|---------|------|-------|------|
| 1. Pass | Pass | Pass | 1 D |
| Pass | 1 H | Pass | 2 C |
| Pass | 3 D | Pass | |
| 2. Pass | Pass | Pass | 1 D |
| Pass | 2 H | Pass | 3 C |
| Pass | 3 H | Pass | 4 C |
| Pass | 5 D | | |

West had chiseled to the extreme in order to open the bidding with that less-than-borderline holding in a rubber game. His sole reason was the hope of finding a distributional fit which

might produce a part-score for his side—very dangerous when he was short in the majors. Being fortunate enough to fit that so beautifully, and with a hand which now was as good as an opening bid, East should have called 2-Hearts loudly, so that West couldn't possibly mistake his intentions. The rest of the bidding then should have gone about as indicated in the second sequence above, with East showing he had five hearts and then swinging into the diamond game.

But when East bid as in the first sequence, even his jump to show his diamond fit was not enough to stir up West, since he didn't jump on his first chance to respond. You can't very well blame West then for passing it, and thus seeing a nice game go out the window. As it was, West lost just one trick in each red suit, the hand being easy to play.

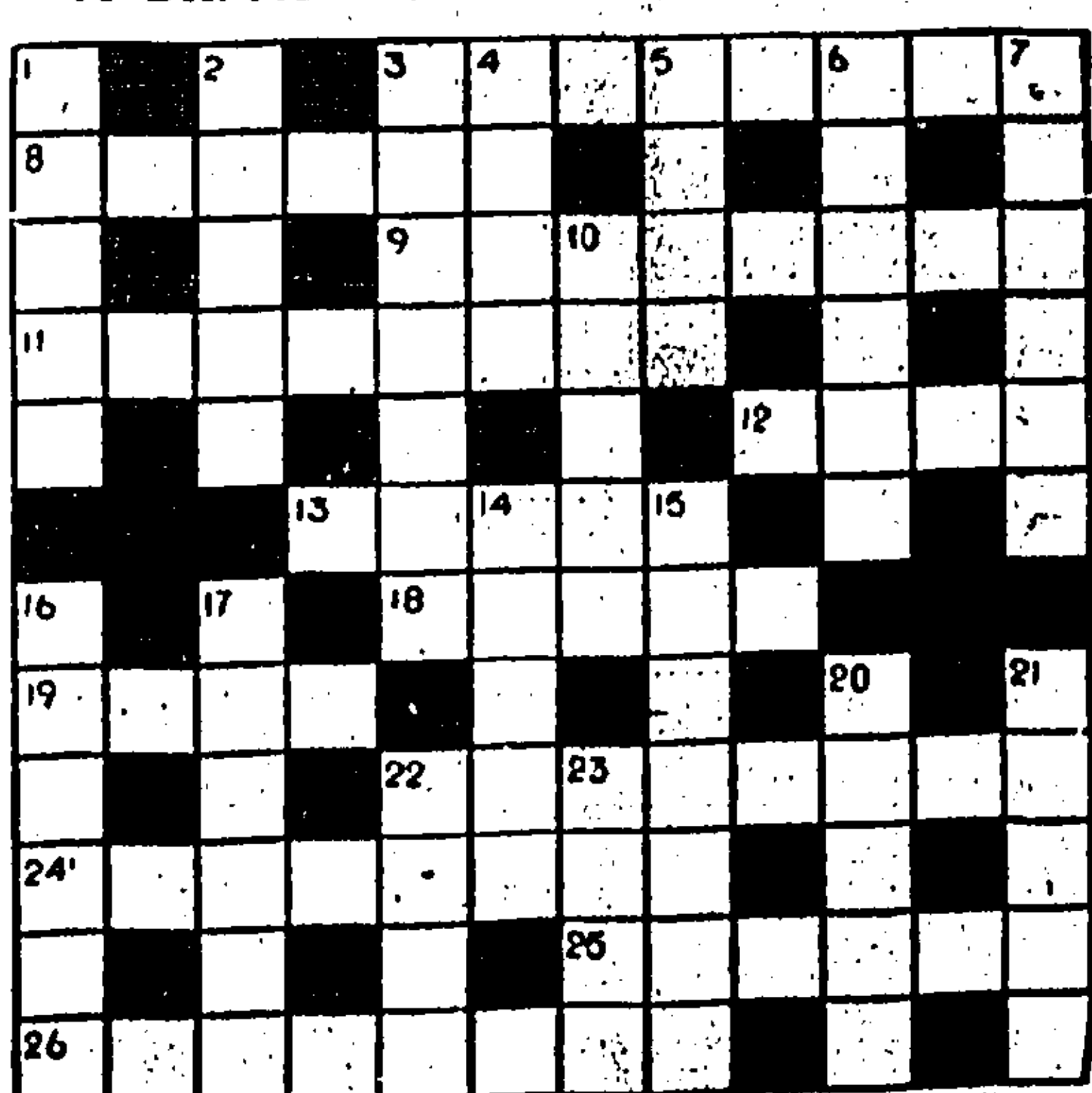
Tomorrow's Problem
S A K Q 6 3
H A Q
D K Q J 2
C 10 4

S 0 4
H J 8 7 6
D 10 3
C 9 7 6 5 2

S J 8 5
H 10 9 8 4
D 9 8 7
C A Q J

(Dealer: East. Neither side vulnerable).
If North decides to open this with 2-Spades and South answers with 3-No Trumps, what should North bid?

A BRITISH CROSSWORD PUZZLE



Across

3 Situation... 19 Rever...
8 Vegetable... 22 Giggled...
9 Mace... 24 Devilish...
11 Kept... 25 Chief...
12 Repeat... 26 Inclined...
13 Word puzzle... 28 Enclined...
18 Challenged...

Down

1 Tempest... 14 Bowled...
2 Versatility... 15 Decided...
3 Restricted... 16 Bravely...
4 Overt... 17 Banters...
5 Greedy... 20 Hauteur...
7 Part of a... 21 Bedeck...
8 compass... 22 Threedom...
10 Ralce... 23 Narrative...

Yesterday's Crossword

ACROSS: 3 Answered, 7 Steer, 8 Majestic, 10 Elated, 13 Reroded, 15 Term, 17 Retreat, 18 Reposed, 20 Alur, 21 Saluted, 22 Tether, 27 Tortured, 28 Gross, 29 Entrance, DOWN: 1 Osier, 2 Cedar, 3 Lodge, 4 Epce, 5 Settee, 6 De-

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CINEMA WORLD



SPENCER TRACY

A Study In Failure

Tracy's Got His Teeth In It Again

Starring Spencer Tracy and Deborah Kerr, "Edward, My Son," which opens at the Queen's Theatre next week, is a successful picturisation of a good play.

In a role that gives him ample opportunity to display his acting talents, Tracy dominates the picture from start to finish. He is a strong part and it is not Miss Kerr's fault that she is completely overshadowed, for that is the aim of the story.

Revolving around a father's obsession that nothing is too good for his son, the film borders at times on the exaggerated and melodramatic. These weak spots, however, are more than balanced by Tracy's ability to sink his teeth into his part and act with a naturalness that gives the impression the role was made for him.

In this typical Tracy-ism, he portrays the father who spoils his son, lavishes him with more than is good, until he practically is saturated with money. He bullies his wife (Miss Kerr) who is sensible and unwise enough to suggest that Edward should lead the life of a normal boy. He sacrifices his honour, his partner and his mistress in a mad scramble for fame and prosperity, so that his son can rest on the fruits of his father's achievements.

That this can only lead to disaster is evident at once, and the end comes as a relief to those who throughout the picture have asked themselves "How will it end?"

Edward is the invisible part of the picture. He is only the ideal, the cause for a study in failure. The real and only too visible part of the film is Tracy and his will of iron.

Guns Roar At King's, Lee Theatres

The Old West after the American Civil War is captured with lusty brilliance in "Silver River," co-starring Errol Flynn and Ann Sheridan, which is now showing at the King's and Lee Theatres.

The film, directed by Raoul Walsh, part master of action tales, abounds in gun fights, fistfights and, of course, contains the usual dash of romance to sweeten the pudding. Background is the panorama of a Western mining town.

Flynn, first as a soldier, then as the daring gambler and banker of Silver City, is his usual self, the baby-faced soft-voiced sharp-on-the-trigger hero who ruthlessly sets about to build an empire. Ann Sheridan, high-spirited heroine of the story, turns in a good performance as the charming Georgia Moore, for whose love Flynn even learns to purr as a gentle kitten. They make an interesting twosome.

Others in "Silver River" worth mentioning are Thomas Mitchell as the lawyer friend and Bruce Bennett as Miss Sheridan's husband in the early portion of the picture.

Walsh's direction moves from sweeping mass scenes to the more detailed dramatic moments. "Silver River" overflows with richly dressed scenes and the tale traces the career of a typical Western robber baron who rises to personal power, only to lose everything.

"Silver River" is engrossing entertainment for those who like Western shows. It is fast-moving and abounds in thrills and spills. And, of course, everything ends on a happy note.

Roxy Film Thrilling Fare Based On Actual Life Story

"Call Northside 777," now at the Roxy Theatre, is a story written from life. It is a true story. The incredible events in this picture are not fictional, and any similarity to actual persons, living or dead, is intentional.

This is the story of what happened in a Chicago of brick and brawn, concrete and guts, with a history of violence beating in its pulse.

This is the story that was waiting to be unleashed by Chicago Times reporter McNeal—a story that lay smouldering in the heart and hopes of a mother—Tillie Wiecek—whose son was sentenced to a life term in Illinois State Penitentiary for the murder of a policeman in 1932. And it is the story whose telling Frank Wiecek fought against—in the beginning—so that his innocent wife and child be spared.

This is the story whose secret was locked behind the lips of Wanda Skutnik who swore to the jury that Frank was the killer, and then disappeared. It is the story that some police and government officials tried to hush up to maintain confidence in law and order. And it is the true story that a crusading newspaper and its fighting city editor said must—and would—be told.

"Call Northside 777"... that's the way it began. And before it was over, a lone reporter, backed by his newspaper, was to see that justice be done to an innocent man.

It is a hard assignment for Reporter McNeal. Patiently and painstakingly he follows each and every lead he has, checking files and interviewing people, hunting for clues that may throw light on the happenings in 1932, when policeman Bundy was shot and killed. His search for the truth and his solitary fight to free Wiecek make interesting material.

James Stewart as McNeal, the reporter who uncovers the miscarriage of justice, is fairly convincing. He doesn't carry a hip-

flash and he doesn't chew a cigar stump—the usual Hollywood trade marks of a newspaperman. He even has a wife and a home. He should have been told, however, that a reporter does NOT write the headline to his own story.

As a documentary, the picture fulfills its mission of realism. As a thriller "Call Northside 777" moves too slow, killing a lot of suspense that could have been maintained had the producers been wise enough to speed up the scenes. The film, nevertheless, is worthwhile seeing.

Showing Now In Britain

The quality most noticeable in British films currently being shown in the West End of London is lightness of heart and lightness of wit.

This is in tune with prevailing mood of film goes everywhere who, recent records prove, are showing specially enthusiastic appreciation of well-made and intriguing films that will take their minds off day to day problems of world that is still "Post war" for most people.

"Adam and Eve" is a sort of Cinderella fairy tale in modern dress. "May Time in Mayfair" offers Anna Neagle and Michael Wilding in another of their comedy romances. "Perfect Woman" presents modern fantasy with as much sense of fun and realism as its stage play original.



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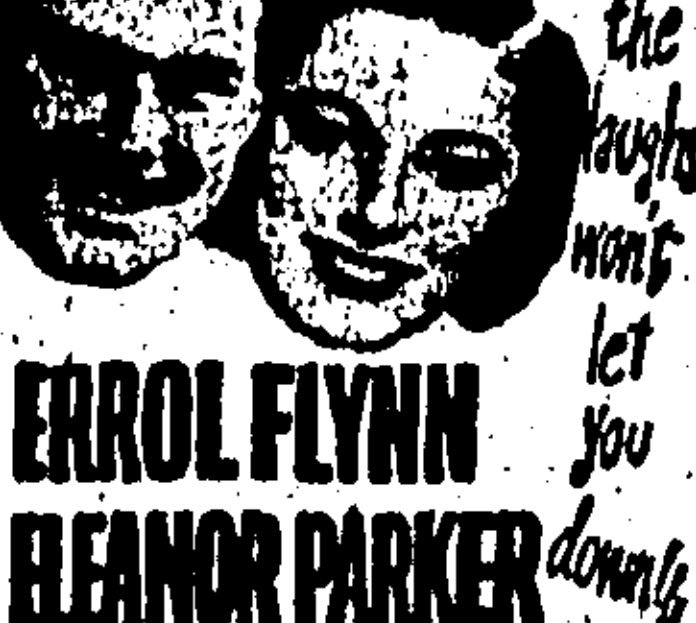
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TOMORROW Alice Fay—Carmen Miranda In "THE GANGS ALL HERE"

O'Fairbanks Coming To The Queen's

You'll be seeing a bright, happy, nonsensical production at the King's Theatre, where "Fighting O'Flynn," starring Douglas Fairbanks, Jr., and Helena Carter, opens next Wednesday.

Don't look for any out-of-the-ordinary plot, for you'll be disappointed. The picture's story is the old boy-meets-girl romance, but with a novel and pleasant twist, for which Douglas Fairbanks, Jr., and his toothpaste ad smile are mainly responsible.

Replete with a castle and a sinister Napoleonic plot to invade Ireland, "Fighting O'Flynn" may be viewed from two angles. If you are looking for "psychology" and a story behind the story, you'll put the picture down as a flop, with just so much unnecessary bally-hoo.

But if you merely wish to while away a couple of hours and get your mind off the heat and the Communists, then "Fighting O'Flynn" may be regarded as lively and humorous entertainment, with an ample share of excitement.

Fairbanks, who is also the producer of the picture, based the story on the little-known historical incident when Napoleon's troops actually invaded Ireland in 1798 in an attempt to open a backdoor to England.

Fairbanks and Miss Carter meet when he comes to her aid during a highway hold-up on the way to Dublin. He scatters her assailant in typical Fairbanks fashion and drives her to the Irish capital, where he meets her father, the Viceroy of Ireland, and her fiancé Lord Sedgemouth (Richard Greene).

Fairbanks and Greene immediately become rivals for Miss Carter's love until the two are assigned to capture Castle Knockmore, actually, taken by Napoleon's troops.

Irritated with Greene's delay in the attack, Fairbanks gets inside the castle and learns that his rival is preparing to betray Ireland by helping French troops to land. After some fancy sword play, Greene is unmasked as a traitor, the French are warned away from the Irish coast and Fairbanks and Miss Carter are united to live happily ever after in their castle.

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PART II: THE CONSCIENCE OF HIS PEOPLE

THE MINDSZENTY STORY

Talks On Secularisation
Of Hungary's SchoolsBY THE VERY REV.
DR. NICHOLAS BOER

heard it promised that the differences in standards which had existed in the past between the State and religious schools (to the advantage of the State schools) would be eliminated; that the neglected buildings of the Church would be restored. He would have understood that this bill served the interests not only of the Hungarian people but of the Church as well; that the Church would now have the opportunity to concentrate on religious instruction (which would remain compulsory) and the spiritual guidance of the people; that the bill was born of the common desire of the Hungarian people and its teachers. Finally it would have been explained to him that this is a question not of ideologies but merely of compromise between Church and State over an argument which they had been carrying on throughout history.

But Hungarian public opinion knew that uniformity would mean the uniformly Marxist spirit of the schools. Hungarians knew that in French schools the spirit of education was patriotic and democratic, though in the current school year there had been 4,100,000 pupils in the State elementary schools and 1,100,000 in the Catholic preparatory schools; that the State secondary schools had 395,000 pupils to the Catholic colleges' 311,000; that the State technological institutions had 100,000 pupils to the Catholic 425,000; the United States, out of four and a half million Catholic children three and a half million attended Catholic elementary schools. In Holland almost every Catholic child—there are 670,000 of them—has chosen a Catholic situation in school. Knowing the situation in Hungary, the Catholic public opinion was only too well aware that standardisation, unless there is some hidden aim behind it, does not rob the parents of the right to choose their children's schools freely.

Not Misled

As for the standards and efficiency of education, Catholic public opinion could not be misled by parliamentary speeches. In Hungary, for many years, there had been central competitions for secondary school students in which all schools competed. In these competitions pupils of Catholic schools, taught by monks, gained 14 first places, while the State schools obtained only five. According to the official statistics of 1948, the schools in the capital were classified in the previous year on the basis of the number of their pupils. The order was the following: Catholic (407), Evangelical (333), Municipal (323), Reformed (289), various Jewish (172). There were seventy-four Catholic schools in the capital; for every pupil accepted for the lowest class there were two or three who had to be turned away. The parents had full confidence in the standard of the Catholic schools which were patronised even by members of the Communist Party, important officials of non-Catholic origin and working men alike. I intervened myself in a great many similar cases.

In confidential discussions, Mr. Ortutay, the Minister, himself admitted to me that, because of the secular lowering of standards, a generally in secondary education. The ill-paid State teachers and masters who had to struggle with family cares, could not, after all, compete with the training and pedagogical sense of the various monks and nuns who taught in these schools, were imbued with a strong sense of duty and lived on outside interests. At all events, in the general and village schools there was a shortage of about 5000 teachers; with nationalisation the 3000 monks and nuns were added to this number. Their positions had every right to ask whether the secularisation of Church schools would contribute to an improved standard of education and the diminution of illiteracy. The parliamentary speakers exaggerated the importance of illiteracy, though in this respect just because of the Church schools, Hungary had no reason to be ashamed of comparison with Central Europe or even the whole of Europe.

Illiterates

In 1930, among the population above six years, 48.2% were illiterate; in Rumania, 44.5%; in Yugoslavia, 43.7%; in the Soviet Union (this was the figure in

1920), while in Hungary the figure was only 9.6%. Better than the nation-wide average of 9.6% was the figure in Transdanubia (9.1%), where the number of Church schools was four times the number of State schools.

The situation was worse on the Great Hungarian Plain (10% of illiterates), where there were fewer Church schools than those belonging to the State or to municipalities. The highest proportion of Church schools in Hungary was in the counties of Sopron and Veszprem, where the number of illiterates was 4.1%, 7.4% and 2.6% respectively; the lowest was in the municipalities of Csongrad and Kecskemet, where illiteracy amounted to 13.6% and 14.7% respectively. If illiteracy increased during and after the war, this was not due to the educational system of the past; the same system had reduced the illiteracy between 1869 and 1930 from 67% to 9.6%. The cause was to be found in the war and post-war economic situation, the increase in juvenile crime and truancy, and especially the shortage of teachers.

As for the "democratic" origin of the pupils in Church schools, one single example may serve to disprove all attacks and false allegations. The city of Kaposvár lies on the big Hungarian Plain. Its best-known school was the Jesuit college and boarding-school, which corresponded to the famous Monastery. On May 30, 1946, the Cardinal-Primate delivered a speech to the Parents' Association of Kaposvár, in which he examined the statistics of Catholic schools relating to the profession and social origin of the parents. The facts he detailed were found to be generally valid in all the Church schools of the country.

In the Jesuit college," Cardinal Mindszenty explained, "40% of the children come from the more well-to-do classes (including the civil service), while 60% belong to the poorer strata, smallholders, workers, etc. In schools the Catholic secondary schools and 65% respectively. In the Roman Catholic training college for kindergarten teachers, taking five classes, the numbers are 233 for the wealthier and 356 for the poorer pupils. In the Roman Catholic teachers' college and 104 girls' lyceum the proportion is 458 to 458. The great majority of our pupils, therefore, come from the lower classes, a fact which is in complete opposition to the allegations."

And if these schools turned out the ladies and gentlemen, this could be counted as a crime only by those who wished the training and education to produce a proletariat and a humiliated culture. But not a humiliated culture, the ideal of a "gentleman" comprises the teaching that an educated, civilised man is never ashamed of his origins and is always ready to work for the social and cultural improvement of the lower classes. It was generally known that in our State schools were as those in many of our Church schools. But during the debate on secularisation the Minister talked of the "neglected Church schools," quoting the example of the County of Vas, although Pocompetri, where violent demonstrations had taken place against the nationalisation of Church schools, is one of the villages in County Vas, and there the Catholic school was in far better condition than any others of the district.

Better Kept

Parents all over the country were attached to Catholic schools for another reason. The school buildings of the Church were better kept, their equipment was more complete, their maintenance more careful. After the war, through the Parents' Association, which was also a centre for reactionary activities—the Catholic schools were restored far quicker (though many of them were in ruins) than the State and municipal schools.

Jullius Ortutay, the Minister of Education, was forced to admit as late as January 13, 1949, "I would be happy if the conditions in our State schools were as good as those in many of our Church schools." But during the debate on secularisation the Minister talked of the "neglected Church schools," quoting the example of the County of Vas, although Pocompetri, where violent demonstrations had taken place against the nationalisation of Church schools, is one of the villages in County Vas, and there the Catholic school was in far better condition than any others of the district. In Parliament it was explained



Oil located by Soviet experts in Austro instead of smoothing the troubled waters seems likely to become a burning question.

There won't be such a royal commission in the rice business after one has had a good look into it!

Both the Greek Government and the rebels are conducting harrying operations in the Grammos mountains. Raising old Harry, too, probably.

In Russia it seems that if you are a foreign diplomat carrying dispatches from your military attaché about with you, you had better not let your insurance company get to know about it.

Far from acting autocratically in Japan in regard to the transfer of the reins of Government to a civil authority, the Miracle Man may even introduce the new administrator (when appointed) to the representatives of the other SCAP powers.

The rest of the SCAP powers who were moaning about not getting their reparations apparently did not realise that those 80 armament factories which are not now to be dismantled will (of course) produce water pistols and popguns for the export toy trade from now on, thereby greatly assisting Japan to maintain her economy and take the load off the impoverished American taxpayer.

Talk about mineral riches of the Antarctic leaves us cold.

To the Discreditor. Sur—I feel happy reading all such fine ordinances lately passing by council stopping symbolic striking and making all electric workers must be government conscripted and so cannot leave jobs upsetting everybody including landlords.

However, other things still wanting do, quickly before more trouble from dreadful new reforming peoples changing present fine gentlemen from legislative council. I want speak of tenants now sticking like leech in all cubicles and flats and won't go whatever we say to them knowing we can be getting much high key money and rents than they paying but still have skin too thick move and give poor landlord chances rehabilitating himself from awful war and gold bar losses.

Clearly great injustice is by this doing to all landlords of colony also chief tenants for after-time few years where will be big key money and high rents; then same tenants will be mocking and we will weeping having missed golden chances. Sur, is this fairplay like British talking always???

No indeed so I want respectfully beg gentlemen in council please make new ordinance calling tenants future liability ordinance. So any tenant not clearing out now if landlord asking him must give back by and by when he wants going difference between key money then time and big sums we can get now thus saving us from heavy losing. I am sure gentlemen who pass other ordinances above having no trouble passing this one for save all of us from unscrupulous never-moving occupiers our rooms. I do not give my name because I am not wanting public recognition like rice control men get and other does good works but hoping still you printing this suggestion for making colony safe from communist types.

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CIVIL SERVICE VIEW

The "China Mail" welcomes the letter printed today from Mr. L. Jackson, President of the Association of European Civil Servants of Hong Kong. As he points out, the government employee's views are all too seldom given publicity, and when attacked he is prevented by statute from retaliating, unless prior permission is granted by higher authority. When, therefore, an official does reply to criticism, we give him space with considerable satisfaction.

It might be added that when the civil servant writes to the Press, he is seldom content with letting off steam and making counter-accusations. Like Mr. Jackson, he usually backs up his arguments with facts and figures. The issue at question is that of pensions—whether they are justified and whether the overall cost is not excessive. These our correspondent claims are only three per cent of our annual budget. Further, an officer does not retire at the age of 45 with two-thirds of his salary; he has to serve for 33 years to qualify for this maximum. Thus anyone leaving at 45 imposes a smaller charge on government, which also can call on a person to leave at that age in the interests of greater efficiency.

We would recommend bitter critics to study this letter carefully, when they will no doubt grant an element of justice on the "other side." It must be admitted that many of us who strive for a living in a competitive atmosphere, who have to produce results or lose our job, who are provided with no free or subsidised quarters, and may not receive a pension on retirement, tend to be unduly critical of those whom we regard as being in a sheltered occupation, for whose amenities we the taxpayers have to find the money. We are likely to be especially sour after having personally experienced dilatory, rude or high-handed treatment from public servants.

It is well to recognise that such criticisms are not always soundly based, and allowance must be made for prejudice. On the other hand, the intelligent government employee will realise the public's right of comment, and when some of our official friends grumble about the lowliness of their incomes compared with those who have small security of tenure in commerce and industry, they are not always entitled to sympathy.

Our correspondent "W" was apparently making the point that quite a number of civil servants now in the Colony are receiving the equivalent of \$2,000 a month—not in direct cash but with salaries, subsidised quarters and eventual pensions all being taken into consideration. Has it occurred, for instance, to the fortunate recipient of a two-thirds pension what percentage of his income he would have had to save during 33 years to achieve this? Further, ordinary taxpayers who live in squalid lodgings or crammed into one hotel room—at extremely high prices—have certain justification for envying the fortunate family with a handsome and spacious flat for which no key money has been paid, and only a nominal rent is expected.

Mr. Jackson's comment is perhaps revealing: that basic salary alone will never attract the best type of man to the civil service—he demands security for his retirement. It is indicative of the official temperament, which looks for cradle-to-grave protection. Having recognised this, the fact remains that it is, as Mr. Jackson says, highly necessary to obtain intelligent, loyal and capable people for the service, which is responsible for a large part of the smooth running of a complex modern community.

This is the answer to "W". Make conditions undesirable, and the quality of the personnel will fall. If present government employees are not worth their emoluments, they should be discharged exactly as if they were engaged in industry or commerce, and this principle is already established in Britain, although it is difficult to put into practice. But when people are doing a good job, they are here as elsewhere entitled to a fair return for their labour.



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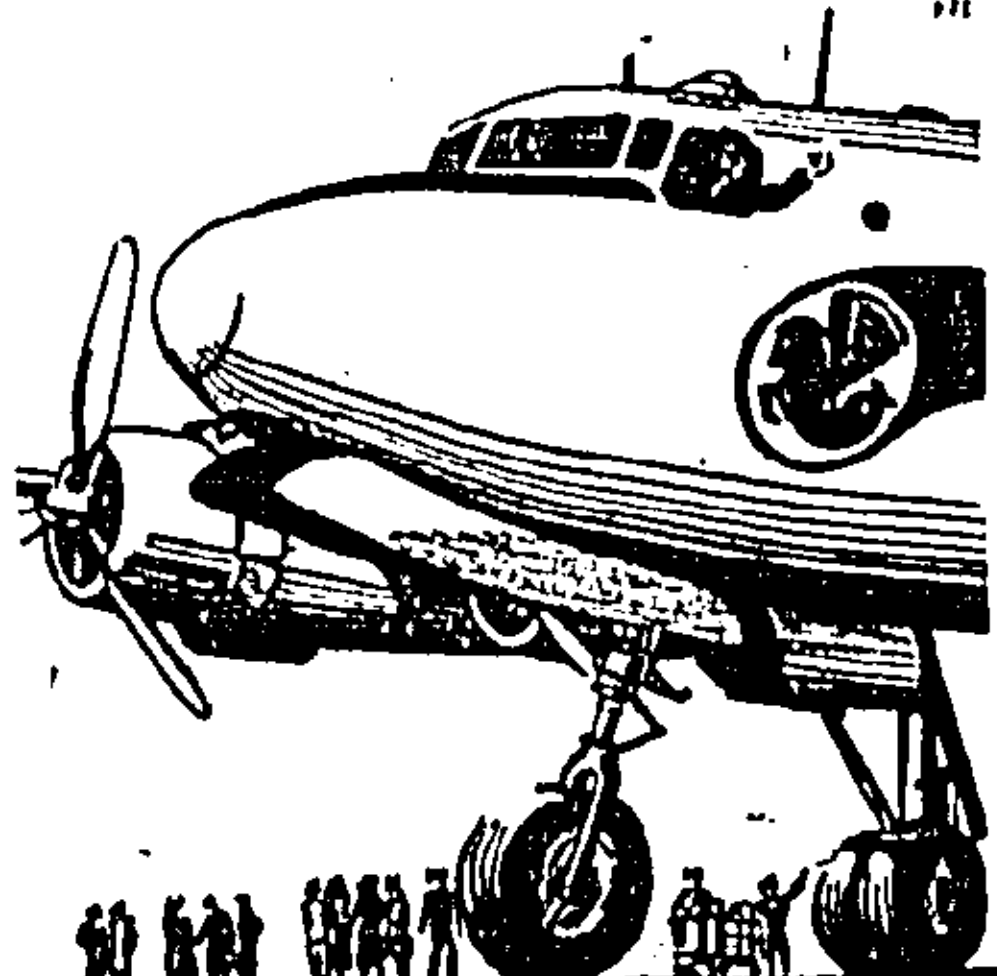
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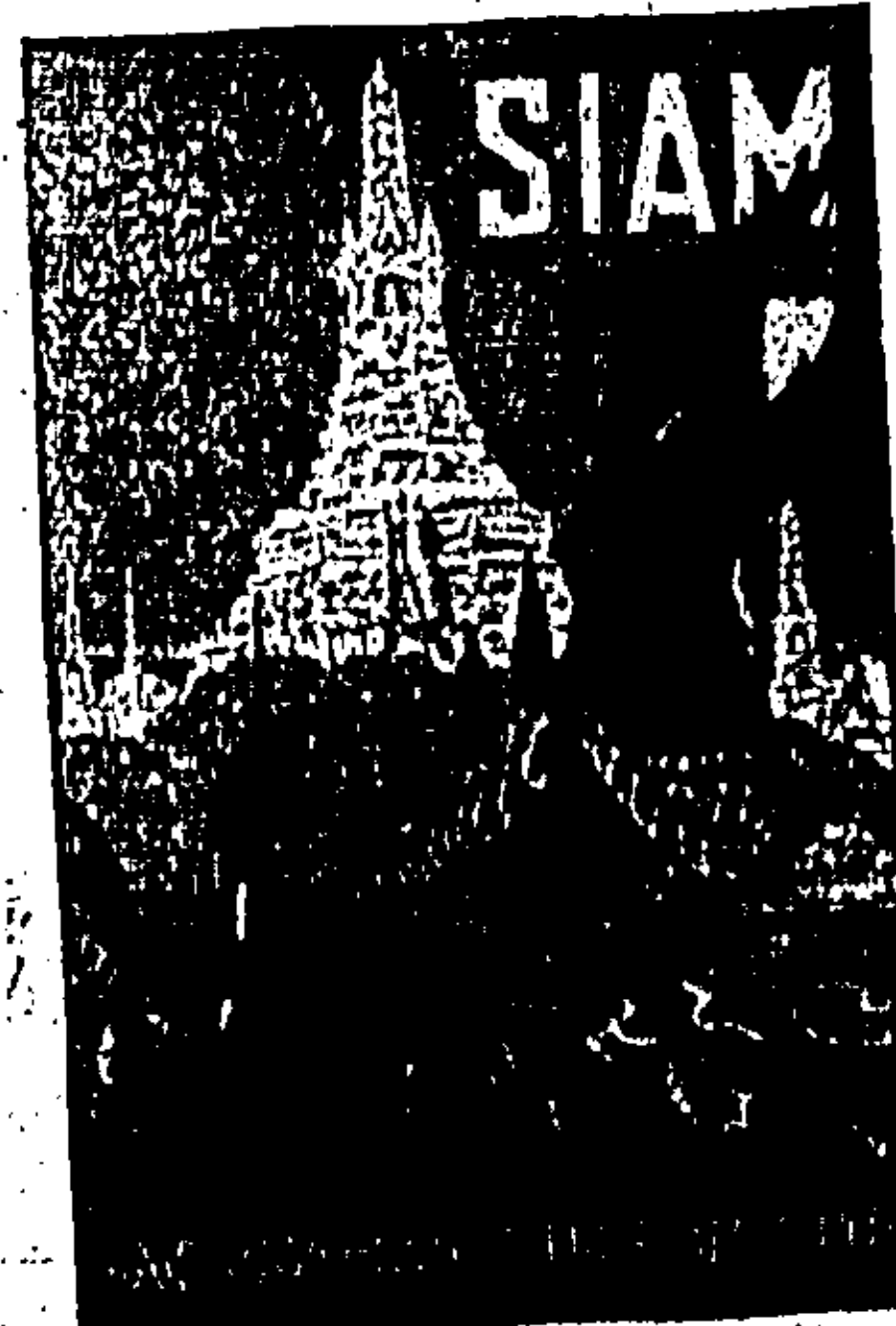
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Rehabilitation In Far Eastern Areas COLONIAL OFFICE REPORT

London, June 15.

A tribute to the men whose ingenuity has helped, since the war, to rebuild the shattered economies and social services of the Far East, was paid in a Colonial Office report issued today. The document, entitled "British Dependencies In The Far East," describes achievements in Malaya, Hong Kong and Borneo territories as quite remarkable.

Among instances quoted of ingenuity are the manufacture of reinforcing rods for use in building, from steel salvaged from wrecks in Hong Kong harbour.

Of the men who overcame shortages of staff and equipment, the report said: "They ransacked dumps for spare parts and for machinery. They showed the greatest patience and persistence

in tracing machinery removed by the Japanese. They salvaged every scrap of steel from bomb debris. They devised new methods of building, using local materials. They used timber where previously they would have used steel and cement. They made the utmost of the boom of Bailey Bridges. And they coaxed new services from ancient machinery which, theoretically, should have been scrapped long since."

The work of reconstruction, the report said, had to be undertaken at a time of world shortage, especially of steel and machinery, while professional and technical staff had proved difficult to recruit.

In addition, there was in Malaya a Communist campaign of violence. Among achievements, reflecting the speed with which stable government, efficient administration and public services have been restored, the report listed the following:

Prefab Houses

Record production (698,000 tons) of rubber in Malaya in 1948.

Record production of rice in Malaya in the 1947-48 season (344,000 tons from the record average of 325,000).

Record production of petroleum from fields in Brunei, now the largest producer in the Commonwealth.

Other items of progress recorded in the report are the fact that more children are at school than ever before in the Federation, Singapore and the Borneo territories; health is in many respects better than ever before; power, water supplies and communications have been rehabilitated, and there is remarkable expansion in civil aviation.

As an instance of ingenuity the report recalled that in Malaya there was the adaptation of 1000 aeroplane hangars as roofing for new railway sheds.

In Singapore, the report pointed out, 876 prefabricated concrete houses had been built by the end of 1948.

T.B. Problem

Development schemes, the report said, are also going ahead with the help of allocations from the Colonial Development and Welfare Funds—a great diversity of projects for increasing the well-being and prosperity of the territories are planned, ranging from technical colleges to fisheries research stations, from tuberculosis settlements to mineral surveys.

In spite of the solid achievements, the report said, there are continuing problems and stresses as much remains to be done in conditions in which there are many imponderables.

The cost of reconstruction has made heavy inroads on the finances of the territories, and none is in a position to undertake the expansion of social services on a scale it would wish.

SYRIANS MASSING ON BORDER

Damascus, June 15. Colonel H. Zaim, chief of Syria's Interim Government, told the British, American, Egyptian and Saudi Arabian Ministers here today that 6,000 Iraqi troops are massed on Syria's border.

He informed the Ministers that he has ordered Syrian troops to the frontier, recalled the Syrian Minister from Iraq and will sever diplomatic relations with Iraq—United Press.

Call For Loyalty To Emperor

Tokyo, June 15. The monthly magazine, "Kokutai Senen," said today that democracy is not a sure defence against Communism in Japan, and called for a resurgence of loyalty to the Emperor as the only means of checking the "impending communisation of Japan."

The magazine quoted a prominent American observer who once said the Emperor is worth 20 divisions in military strength, and asked: "What is more effective in creating a force against Communism than to pay proper homage to the Emperor who wields authority such as this?"

The editor added: "We are categorically opposed to the Government based on the supreme power of the Emperor. We are in the past, but to pay homage to an Emperor who is separated from power is a manifestation of the true Japanese spirit."

He argued: "There is something in the making of the Japanese which makes them susceptible to Communism." He cited general Japanese poverty, political malice and accustomed blind acceptance of orders.

The editor added: "To believe that to destroy every vestige of loyalty to the Emperor is democracy can only result in tragedy not only for Japan but for the American occupation and other Allied nations as well."—United Press.

Reprisal Arrests Of Swiss

Berlin, June 15. The Swiss Foreign Minister, Dr. Max Petitpierre, told the Lower House of Parliament today that Switzerland does not intend to break with Rumania where 30 Swiss citizens were arrested last week.

The Swiss Minister in Bucharest, Dr. Y. S. Salomon, has been recalled for consultation, will return immediately afterwards to Rumania, he said.

The Rumanian "reprisal" arrests followed the announcement by the Swiss Government that it intended to proceed with the trial of Solvay Vitianu whom the Rumanian Legation in Switzerland claims as a member of its staff and, therefore, in enjoyment of diplomatic immunity.

Vitianu, whose trial began on Monday, is charged with economic espionage and fraud. It was alleged that one of his tasks in Switzerland was to discover assets which Rumanian citizens had sold away in Switzerland.

Vitianu has refused to speak since the opening of the trial, claiming that the Swiss court has no jurisdiction over him as a diplomat.—Reuter.

Soviet Purge Of Moslems Alleged

Cairo, June 16.

A religious leader from Turkistan in Soviet Central Asia said here today that Russia has been conducting an anti-Moslem purge over since the end of the war.

Other recent reports from various sources have said that the Russians have been conducting a campaign against Jews and Zionism inside the Soviet Union.

The religious leader is Al Sayed Nour, Mohammed Ismail, head of the Turkistan Mission to Al Azhar, Cairo's great Moslem University. He said that in the Middle Asia areas of the Soviet Union, including the Kazakh Republic and the Turkoman Republic, as well as in the Crimea there are virtually no Moslem inhabitants left.

In an article prepared for publication in the Moslem monthly, "Akbar Al Islam Islami," Ismail said prominent instructors in Moslem theology in the Soviet Government are either exiled to Siberia or are underground.

Ismail said Moslems in the once predominantly Mohammedan areas of Russia were expelled from their homes by the Soviet Government and replaced by Russians after the war ended.

Afraid To Return

"Moslems were armed and forced to fight with the Russian Army in defence of the Soviet Union," Ismail wrote, "their reward has been exile, slavery and death."

He said 500,000 Soviet army Moslems taken prisoner during the war refused to return to their homeland because they feared Russian domination. He added that Moslem leaders left inside the Soviet Union have nothing but their titles.

Ismail wrote that the Moslem institutions in Soviet Asia are ancient monuments no longer frequented by students.

He said the history of Moslem persecution in Russia goes back to 1830. Then, he said, 125,000 Moslems fled to Afghanistan, Saudi Arabia, India, and Chinese Turkistan.—Associated Press.

NIEMOELLER ON DISMANTLING

Berlin, June 15. Dr. Martin Niemöller, now 57, who commanded a U-boat in World War I and who was a champion of Christian freedom in Hitler's Germany, today appealed for an end to dismantling of German factories.

In a telegram to the Federal Council of Christian Churches of America, the British Council of Churches, and the Church Commission for International Affairs in London, Dr. Niemöller said that dismantling would cause unemployment and costs would be three times what the scrap obtained would yield.—Reuter.

JAPANESE THREAT TO UK TRADE

Manchester, June 15.

Mr A. B. Barclay, Chairman of the British Cotton and Rayon Merchants' Association, warned the Association's annual meeting today of Japanese competition, but declared, "A nation such as Japan cannot be just wiped out and ignored."

Discussing the importation of Japanese grey cloth for use in the home trade, he said: "We, none of us, like the idea of importing foreign cloth, whether it be for the home trade or for processing here and re-exported to our overseas markets."

"I cannot help but feel that if foreign cloth has to be imported, it is better that it should be used for the home trade, and thus free Lancashire cloth for export."

Mr Barclay said that buyers overseas are today fully aware of the relatively low American prices.

He thinks that as time goes on this American competition is likely to be intensified. He said that the import permit system is a new and serious obstacle to the export trade and suggested that in framing agreements with countries abroad the Government should consider this, and should endeavour to open up markets for British exporters.—Reuter.

Soviet Atom Plan Killed

Washington, June 15. The United Nations Atomic Energy Working Committee voted today to kill a Soviet plan which called for the immediate destruction of all atomic weapons.

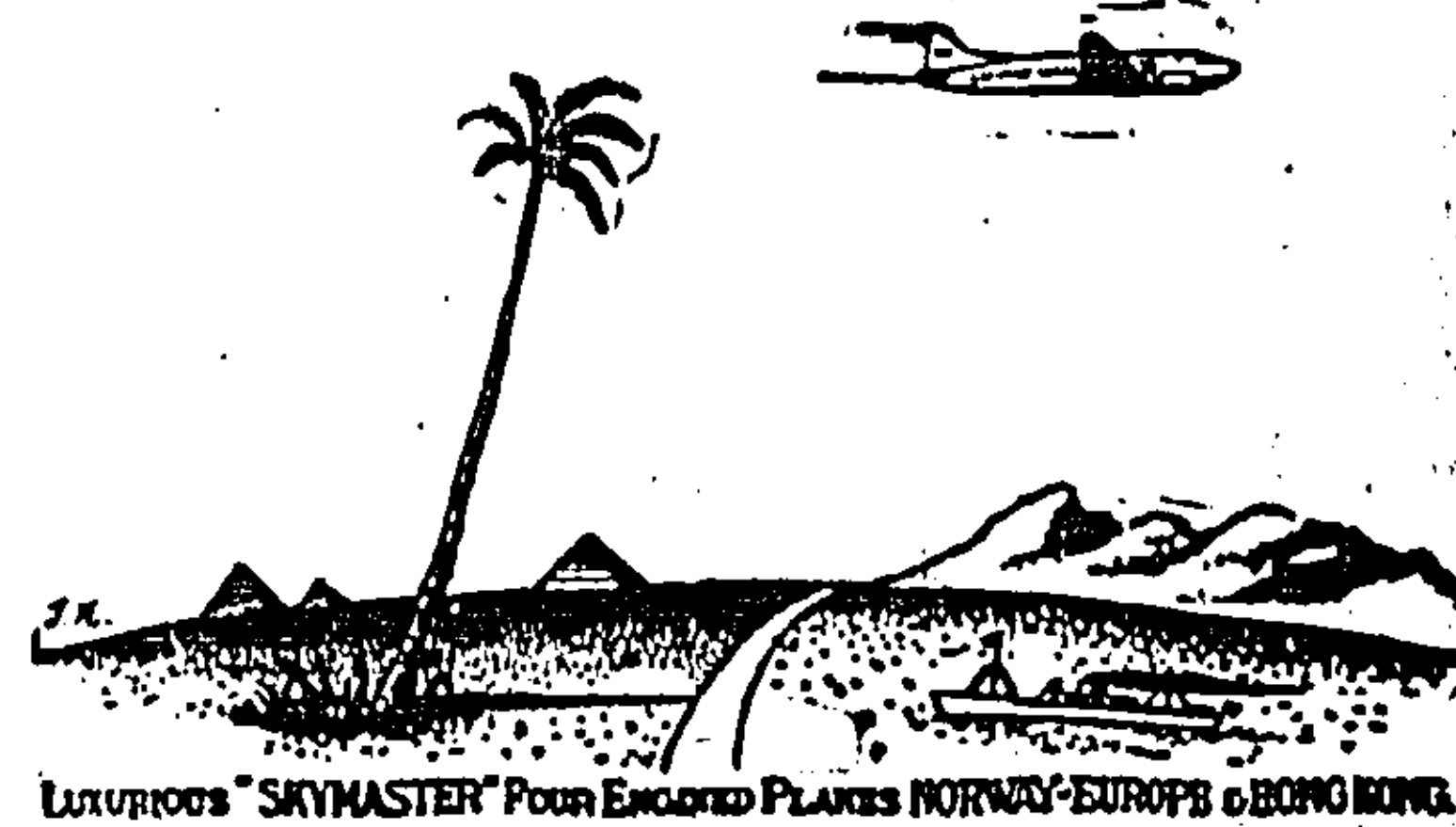
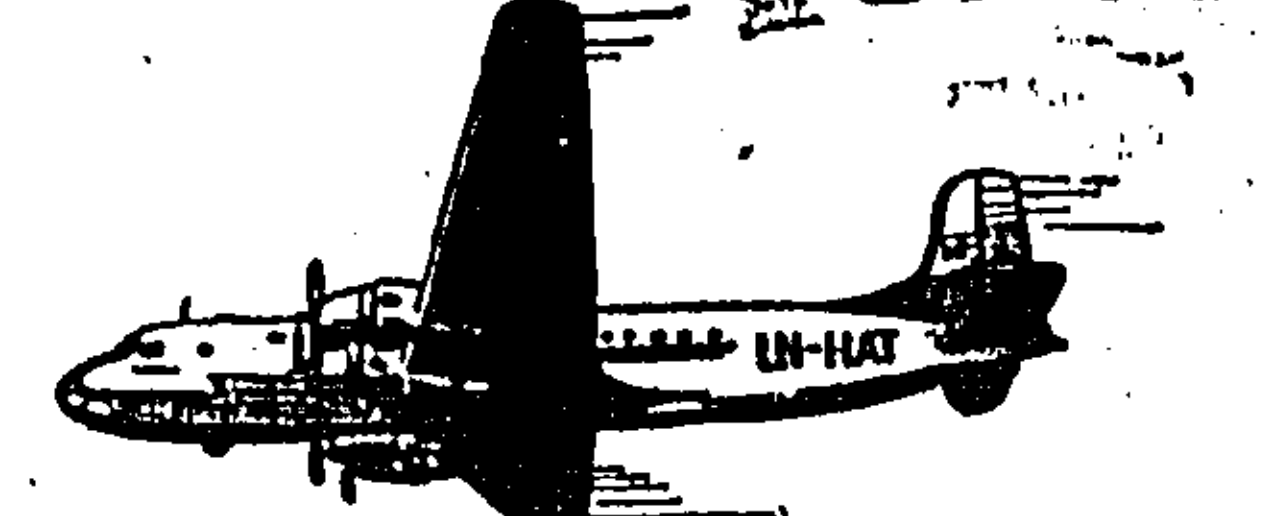
The Committee voted 7-2 with two abstentions to report to the United Nations Atomic Energy Commission that no useful purpose would be served with the continued discussion of the Soviet plan.

Immediately after the committee voted, the resolution was introduced to shelve further discussions by the 11-member Working Committee until the Big Five Powers and Canada agreed on a basis for agreement.—United Press.

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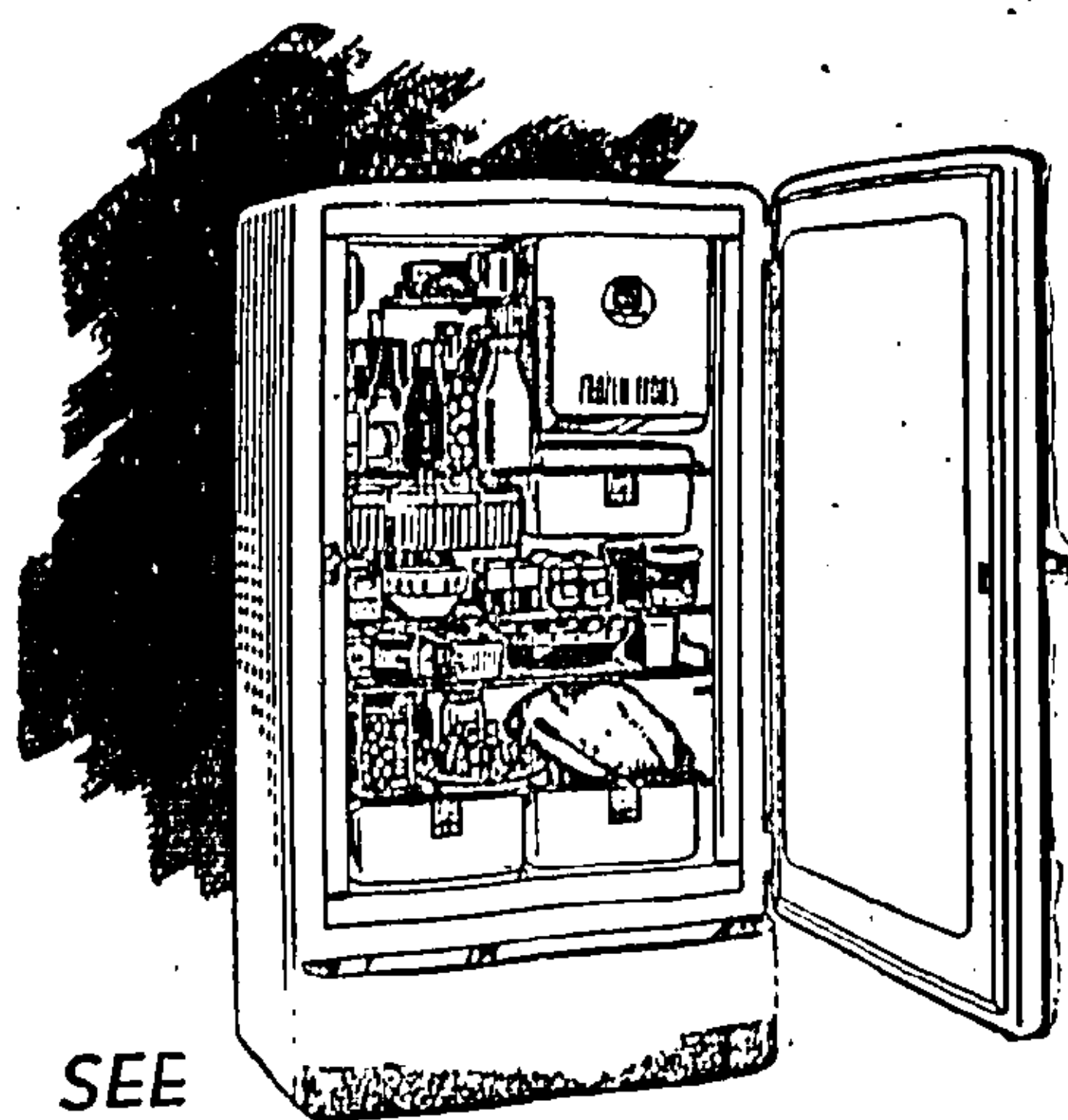
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Western Berlin is now operating on a basic law that gives the Socialist-controlled magistrature considerable leeway in running its affairs.

Britons Hiking To Rome

London, June 16.

Five men and women equipped with 40 pairs of shoes and 300 pairs of socks set off today on an 1,800-mile hike to Rome.

They hope to get there about the middle of November travelling every step of the way by foot except for the Channel crossing from Dover to France.

The men are Kenneth Parfitt, 46, of Southsea, Dr. Neil Paulson, 45, of Nottingham, Dr. Eric Paulson, 38, of Portsmouth, Frank Watson, 34, of Liverpool, and Leonard and Macey Hurst. The only woman in the party is Mrs. Paulson who is 27.—Associated Press.

Offence Against The Pope

Rome, June 16.

Laura Dian, 21-year-old beautiful, black-haired Communist Senator, will be tried soon on charges of offending the Pope's honour in a political speech last year.

Her parliamentary immunity as a Senator was lifted when a Chamber of Deputies sub-committee authorised the trial.

No date for the trial has been set.

The Italian law strictly prosecutes offences against the honour of the heads of foreign states. The Pope is recognised under the 1929 Italo-Vatican pact as the chief of a sovereign state.

Dayide Lajold, director of Milan's Communist branch, "Nita," recently received an eight-month suspended sentence for such an offence. He was ordered not to repeat his attack on the Pope in his newspaper.—Associated Press.

SLIM TO VISIT NORTH AFRICA

London, June 16.

Field Marshal Sir William Slim, Chief of the Imperial General Staff, will leave London by air on Sunday for a five-day visit to British troops in North Africa, the War Office announced.

He will spend Monday and Tuesday in Benghazi and then visit Tripoli before returning to London.—Associated Press.

Franco Calls Ministers

Madrid, June 16.

Spanish Cabinet Ministers were unexpectedly summoned tonight to General Franco's residence outside Madrid, the Pardo Palace.

A Cabinet meeting is normally held on Fridays and there is considerable speculation as to the reasons for the special session.

General Franco has just returned from a visit to Barcelona and other places in Catalonia.—Reuter.

BRITISH PROTEST TO EGYPT

London, June 15.

The Foreign Office has instructed the British Ambassador in Cairo, Sir Ronald Campbell, to lodge another protest against the stopping of British ships in the Suez Canal by the Egyptian authorities.

The British Government may also ask Egypt to pay compensation for losses incurred by the confiscation of British cargoes and by the delay of ships, reliable sources said.

Earlier this month, the British Government warned Egypt that damages would be claimed in connection with the stopping of the British ship "Khet", which was ordered by the Egyptian authorities to discharge 442 packages of textiles, radio equipment and other goods bound for Beirut.

The new British protest refers particularly to the stopping of two ships, Glenroy and Ben Moeub.

The Egyptian Government announced that it will stop ships carrying war materials to the Middle East and seize their cargoes.—United Press.

JAPAN-PAKISTAN TRADE PACT

Karachi, June 16.

Pakistan and Japan have signed a seven-point trade agreement to begin on July 1.

Japan's imports will include raw jute, salt, wool and hemp. Pakistan's imports will include cloth, cotton yarn, spindles, rayons, electric plant, electrical goods, glass, iron, rolling stock, clocks and bicycles.—Associated Press.

RUSSIANS SENTENCE "FALCON" LEADER

Berlin, 15.

Nineteen-year-old Juergen Geruelli, a leader of the German Social Democratic "Falcon" Youth Movement, was today sentenced to two and a half years' imprisonment by a Soviet sector court.

The charge was "acting against the peace of the German people by spreading harmful rumours contained in illegal newspapers."

During the trial Heinz Westphal, 24-year-old Chairman of the Falcons, was arrested after he had protested in Court at the trial of his nine colleagues.

Shouting for help he was carried down the stairs of the reception hall of the Soviet sector gasworks (being used as a Court) and bundled into a waiting car, according to eye-witnesses.

The nine accused—all in their teens—included the blonde 17-year-old twins, Eva and Ruth Briebach.

The Berlin Executive Committee of the Social Democratic Party tonight protested to the Council of Foreign Ministers against today's arrest of Heinz Westphal by Soviet sector police.

The Committee described the arrest as a disregard of elementary human rights by the Communists.—Reuter.

BIG FOUR MEETING IN FINAL STAGES

Probable Results Of Conference

Paris, June 15.

The "Big Four" Foreign Ministers, after a 75-minute secret session tonight, issued an official communique saying that they had discussed during the past few days an Austrian treaty and a modus vivendi relative to the situation in Germany.

The communique said that the Ministers adjourned until tomorrow after the delegations had presented different proposals.

A French Foreign Office spokesman said that in principle tomorrow's meeting will be the last.

Tonight's meeting, held at the French Foreign Office, was the shortest of the present conference.

French sources called it an ultra-confidential working session.

The Ministers had cancelled their earlier secret meeting at the Rose Palace—where all other discussions were held—at the request of the Soviet Foreign Minister, Mr. Andrei Vyshinsky.

The British Foreign Secretary, Mr. Ernest Bevin, was the only Foreign Minister to arrive at the Rose Palace for the cancelled session.

Mr. Dean Acheson, United States Secretary of State, who was to have presided, had been unable to tell him of the cancellation in time.

His solitary afternoon at the Palace corresponded to Mr. Vyshinsky's stroll in the Bois de Boulogne yesterday, when the secret session was adjourned for two hours while the Western Powers considered the new Soviet counter-proposals to their own joint plan submitted on Sunday.

Authoritative French sources gave this explanation of this afternoon's cancelled meeting:—

Counter-Proposals

Western counter-proposals to the Soviet proposals on Berlin and East-West German trade submitted yesterday were sent to Mr. Vyshinsky before this afternoon's session was due to start.

Mr. Vyshinsky asked for time to consider them.

At his request it was initially decided to delay the start of the meeting and then to adjourn it.

Concrete Results

Probable concrete results of the Paris conference, authoritative French sources said, are as follows:

(1) A treaty with Austria so far advanced that it can be signed in the near future.

(2) The certainty that the Berlin blockade will not be re-established.

(3) Establishment of contact between the four Ministers which, from now on, will have a permanent character.

The French Foreign Minister, Mr. Robert Schuman, told the French Cabinet earlier today, after a 90-minute meeting of the three Western Foreign Ministers, that the "Big Four" Powers might reach agreement on an Austrian peace treaty before September 1.

Breaking through the news blackout which has covered the proceedings of the conference since Sunday, the pro-Communist newspaper "Ce Soir" gave the following account of the counter-proposals by Mr. Vyshinsky in answer to the joint West plan for Berlin and East-West trade put forward three days ago.

"These proposals suggested that the Council of Foreign Ministers should be maintained and meet periodically—and that a 'Committee of Continuation' be set up in Berlin to maintain contacts between the Big Four between sessions."

Economic Body

"Under its authority would be placed an all-German economic organisation representing East and West, which would study the problems of inter-zonal exchanges and all commercial questions."

Conference observers deduce that because General Sir Brian Robertson was Mr. Bevin's sole adviser at tonight's secret session the main subject of the discussion was the actual situation in Germany.

The failure to settle the West Berlin railway strike must have direct repercussions on any modus vivendi, since it is admitted in delegation circles that the final terms of the Western Powers on trade and currency depend upon the solution of the transport problem.

For this reason a settlement of the strike as preliminary to including the right of access to Berlin from the Western zones, is believed to be one of the hurdles still to be overcome.—Reuter.

NEW TYPE AT-BOMB TESTED

Washington, June 15.

Dr. David E. Lillenthal, chairman of the Atomic Energy Commission, today revealed that tests of a year ago had proved the effectiveness of a new type of atom bomb.

The tests were conducted secretly at Eniwetok in the far Pacific. Mr. Lillenthal mentioned that as he defended the Commission against charge of waste and excessive cost in the construction of a new plutonium plant at Hanford.

He said the plant was urgently needed to produce material for the new type of bomb successfully tested at Eniwetok.

Mr. Lillenthal said the tests proved the effectiveness of redesigning the Hanford plant will fabricate plutonium into the form it was used in the bomb tested at Eniwetok.

He said the plant is needed to disperse the work formerly concentrated at Los Alamos, New Mexico, now the only known place where atomic bombs are produced.—United Press.

Recovery In Gold Market

Johannesburg, June 15.

The Johannesburg Stock Market opened weak in all sections today after last night's near panic selling of shares in the two companies primarily concerned in the Erdel gold strike.

Soon after, however, there were indications of some recovery in Free State Gold Mining issues, with selective improvement elsewhere, though the Market undertone was hesitant.

The cause of last night's selling was due to the Central Mining and Investment Corporation's announcement that the fabulously rich 50,105-inch pennyweights section at Erdel had shown only 231-inch pennyweights.

The shares of the Free State Gold Areas, who hold options over the mine, were 16 shillings this morning. Options were 9/6d.

In yesterday's last selling the share price slumped 15 shillings after touching 33/8d. earlier in the day.

Union Free State Mining, the parent concern, began today at 14 shillings, later rose to 16 shillings but then sagged to 14/9d. Last night they had slumped to 15/6d. after touching 23/8d.—Reuter.

Saxony Threatens Not To Pay

Hanover, June 15.

Dr. Georg Strickrodt, Economic Minister in Lower Saxony, threatened today that Lower Saxony will suspend its payment of occupation costs if the British Military Government disapproves the financial balance plan concluded between the Western German States.

"We are simply not able to raise 500,000,000 Deutsche marks not to mention another 200,000,000 Deutsche marks for various additional payments to be made to the occupying Power," he explained.

The Western German States on June 14 approved a preliminary law for the balance of debts between the States which anticipate the transfer of 250,000,000 Deutsche marks from the financially strong States to their weak counterparts.

Among the latter is Schleswig Holstein, which today demanded 110,000,000 Deutsche marks from the wealthy States, claiming to be the poorest Western German province because of her tremendous over-crowding with Eastern German refugees.—Reuter.

BUDAPEST REVEALS COMMUNIST 'PURGE'

WORLD RATION OF RICE

Washington, June 16.—The International Emergency Food Council Rice Committee today recommended that world rice producing nations allocate 3,732,000 metric tons to importing nations for the year 1949.

The proposal is understood to be due for IEFEC approval on Thursday, with an announcement of the Council's action on Friday.

The Rice Committee action was actually confined to proposed allocations for the July to December period of this year. However, the expected announcement will cover the entire year.

The proposed allocations for July to December are 1,877,000 metric tons, January to July allocations were 1,855,000. That makes a total for the year of 3,732,000. This exceeds last year's allocations by 551,000.

The Committee action reflects the slowly improving world rice situation. However, supplies are still far below requirements of consuming nations.

According to authoritative information, here are the principal proposed allocations for the full year in metric tons:

Ceylon 400,000.
China 261,000.
Cuba 230,000.
French territories, 160,000.
India 800,000.
Dutch East Indies 285,000.
Indonesian Republic 20,000.
Pakistan 45,000.
Philippines 135,000.
Hong Kong 100,000.
Malaya 480,000.
Hyakury Islands 30,000.
Japan 160,000.

—Associated Press.

Karen Rebels Set Up Their Own "Cabinet"

Rangoon, June 15.—Government land and air forces today struck at Karen rebels, who last night announced the formation of their own "Insurgent Cabinet".

The formation of the Cabinet by the tribesmen in revolt against the Government was announced by the Karen Radio, according to Burmese newspapers, with bearded 38-year-old Ba U Gyi, President of the Karen National Union, as Prime Minister.

Government planes raided several Karen concentrations near the rice exporting port of Bassein, 60 miles West of Rangoon, and scored direct hits, a communiqué said.

It claimed the recapture of two Communist-held villages in the Pyawpaw district of the Irrawaddy Delta, with 20 rebels killed and several wounded.

The communiqué also reported minor clashes in the Upper Burma districts of Mandalay and Shwebo, while a rebel attack on the Central Burma oil town of Tenangyung, 360 miles North West of Rangoon, is reported by the Army Radio.

The Radio reported fierce fighting last night when 200 made a surprise attack on the oil town, but retreated leaving 30 dead.

The Radio added that mopping up is still going on in the area and claimed the capture of Kyaukga.

Observers here are not clear as to how the new Karen Cabinet will function.

Port Threatened

Ba U Gyi, who escaped from Insein when Government troops captured it from the Karens, was last reported in the Rangoon area.

The main Karen forces are in the Toungoo area, 180 miles to the North, where they were reported last month to have declared a Karen State.

Strong Government reinforcements are tonight making for Akyab, important Western Burma port, now threatened by rebels, a Government spokesman reported.

He said that the situation on the West coast (Arakan) has deteriorated considerably and that rebels moving North from Sandoway towards Akyab have been joined by a deserting section of military police.

Both Sandoway and Kyaupyu, on Rangoon Island, midway up the coast of Arakan, are in rebel hands, he said.

The spokesman denied, however, that U Ny Tun, Burmese Minister of Minority Affairs, has fled from Kyaupyu because of rebel activity. He said that the Minister has come back to Rangoon for an inspection and will return to Ramree in a day or two.—Reuter.

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Budapest, June 15.

The former Hungarian Foreign Minister, M. László Rajk, has been expelled from the Hungarian Workers' Party as a "spy and Trotskyite agent of foreign imperialist powers," an official communiqué announced tonight.

Also expelled on the same charges was Dr. Tibor Szonyi, a member of the Central Committee and the Central Control Commission and Secretary of the Workers' Party.

The communiqué ends a week of speculation over M. Rajk's whereabouts since he failed to appear for the opening session of the newly-elected Parliament last week, and his replacement as Foreign Minister by M. Gyulakal, also a Communist.

It is known that a number of other high functionaries are under detention, but the communiqué makes no mention of these. The communiqué does not state whether the former Foreign Minister is under arrest, but it was assumed here that he is.

M. Rajk, a one-time Minister of the Interior, was also a member of the Politbureau of the Workers' Party.

The communiqué was issued by the Central Committee and the Central Control Commission of the Party, and was headed: "The Uncovering of a Trotskyite Espionage Group."

The communiqué said that the Central Committee of the Workers' Party and the Central Control Commission, at a joint session, had "discussed the infiltration of hostile elements into the party" and has made the following unanimous decision:

Penetration By Enemy

"The Central Executive Committee expels from the party László Rajk and Tibor Szonyi as spies and Trotskyite agents of foreign imperialist powers."

"The Central Executive Committee states that at the present stage of the progress of the People's Democracy the most dangerous weapon of the enemy is penetration into the party."

"The best defence against this enemy penetration is the correct policy of our party."

"The execution of this policy involves a constant and steadfast struggle against any deviation. It will fight especially ruthlessly against all manifestations of nationalism. This nationalism sometimes manifests itself in open anti-Sovietism, at other times in under-rating, even keeping silent, about the role and importance of the Soviet Union."

"To over-rate our own achievement, and the resulting over-confidence, also makes for nationalism."

"We must lead a ruthless struggle against any manifestation of Trotskyism. We must increase our vigilance. We must watch for the slightest un-party-like behaviour, popularity-seeking, self-adulation and praise. We must control, with even stricter measures, the functionaries of our own party and State."

"Iron Fist"

The communiqué said that the Central Committee supports and approves all measures which the Political Bureau and the Secretariat have taken for the liquidation of spies and Trotskyite agents.

It empowered these organs to undertake all measures to detect and eliminate in future all enemy penetration of the party.

Concluding, the communiqué said that the Central Committee directs the party leadership "to do a thorough job and render harmless, with an iron fist, the agents of imperialism and Trotskyism, who would frustrate the achievements of our Democracy and try to sell our working people again into the hands of the capitalists."—Reuter.

France Key To Europe Recovery

Paris, June 15.—The United States Ambassador, Mr. David Bruce, described France today as the key to European recovery.

The French people he told the Anglo-American Press Association at a luncheon here, have accomplished in the first half of 1949 almost every goal set before them.

He thinks that the French wheat crop will not fall below 7,000,000 tons.

If France had not been able and determined to show its remarkable recuperative powers, Marshall Plan prospects would have been very, indeed, bleak.

He thinks Economic Co-Operation Administration appropriations for the next year will be large enough to take care of present problems.—Reuter.

PI SIGNS PACT WITH TURKEY

Manila, June 15.—The Foreign Office announced today that a treaty of friendship between the Philippines and Turkey has been signed in Washington.

The announcement said Ambassador Juanita Elizalde signed for the Philippines and the Turkish Ambassador signed for his country.—United Press.

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Australian Attack On MacArthur

Canberra, June 16.—Labourite Senator Donald Grant said in the Australian Senate today that Japan never will be truly democratic while General MacArthur is in charge.

"I admire what General MacArthur did to save Australia," Mr. Grant said, "but if you want to make a botch of a peace, put a general in charge. Go through history and see."

Mr. Grant said the Russian Iron Curtain is nothing compared with the "MacArthur curtain" in Japan. He added that Japan is now being treated more as an ally than as a conquered enemy.—Associated Press.

Israel's Policy On Palestine

Tel-Aviv, June 15.—The Israeli Foreign Minister, Moshe Sharet, told the Israeli Parliament today that the Arab-Israeli talks at Lausanne are deadlocked and remain deadlocked, because the Arabs came to the question of refugees and not to discuss peace.

Opening the Parliament's first foreign affairs debate, Mr. Sharet said that the main provisions of the Magdole East are frontiers and refugees.

He declared that it is impossible for Israel to admit an Arab "fifth column" in her midst, but he repeated the Israeli offer for compensation where justifiable within an overall peace settlement.

Mr. Sharet declared that Israel's frontiers must be based on the territorial arrangement laid down by the United Nations on December 11, 1948, and not by the agreement of November 20, 1947, which, he claimed, was invalidated by the Arab attack on the Jewish State.

The basic line of Israel's foreign policy is to remain faithful to the United Nations, and "on no account to identify ourselves with one world block in opposition to another."

"We want peace with the Arab States, but we shall not buy peace at any price," Mr. Sharet said.

The chances of peace in the near future are nebulous, he said, and are not helped by the world campaign of defamation "joined by the Roman Catholic Church" against Israel, using the Holy Places as an excuse.

A State without Jerusalem is not feasible, he said.—Reuter.

THAI CABINET RESIGNATION

Bangkok, June 15.—The Cabinet of Premier Song-gram Phibun resigned today at the opening of the regular session of Parliament.

Although Phibun was not a member of Parliament he has overwhelming support in both Houses and his renomination as Premier appears certain.—United Press.

CANTONESE BY RADIO

BY S.K. LEE

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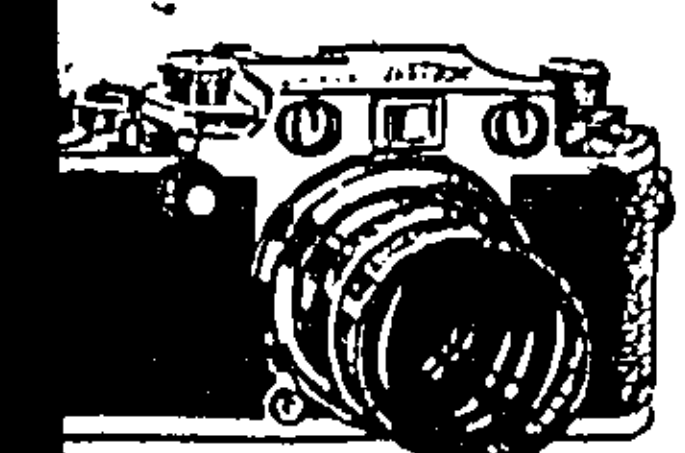
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RAILWAYS BACK TO NORMAL AT THE WEEK-END?

London, June 15.

Britain's vital trunk railway routes, which have been crippled for the past five week-ends by 24-hour strikes, are expected to resume normal working next week-end.

After talks between the Executive of the nationalised Railways and the National Union of Railway men, it was announced tonight that the negotiations on wage claims will be resumed next Monday if the men work normally on Sunday.

The Ministry of Labour tonight announced that the Executive of the National Union of Railwaymen has informed the Minister of Labour that they are confident that the measures they have taken and are contemplating will ensure full normal working next Sunday so far as their members are concerned.

SAIGON GRENADE INCIDENT

Saigon, June 16.

Six hand grenades were thrown in Saigon last night. One person was wounded.

Meanwhile, Emperor Bao Dai liberated about 1,000 political prisoners interned at Phuland camp a few miles from Saigon. This "mercy" measure was taken to commemorate the exchange of ratification instruments of the March 8 Franco-Vietnam agreement made on Tuesday.

The French authorities suspended for a fortnight the daily paper "Union Francaise" (Gaullist Conservative). The publisher said that this suspension was ordered for articles protesting against the arrest of Vietnamese intellectuals by the French security police.

A manifesto signed by "intellectual workers" was handed over today to the French authorities including General George S. Revers, demanding that France restore direct negotiations with the government of the Democratic Republic of Vietnam headed by President Ho Chi Minh as a sine qua non condition for the return of peace in Vietnam.—Associated Press.

London Meeting

Assuming that is satisfactorily adjusted, the negotiations with all the trade unions concerned on wages can be resumed immediately afterwards—if convenient, next Monday afternoon, the Railway Executive said.

The railwaymen's leaders said that a substantial number of men will stay at work this week-end. Tomorrow, a national conference of the National Union of Railwaymen opens in London.

It is likely to decide whether peace is to be restored in the industry.

One proposal will be for a national "go slow" movement which would create chaos on the railways unless the union's wage claim for an additional 10 shillings weekly is met by July.—Reuter.

Dollar Aid For Tito Denied

Paris, June 15.

American State Department officials in Paris tonight denied reports that dollar aid is being rushed to Yugoslavia.

A report that aid was on the way followed conferences here between the United States Ambassador to Yugoslavia and Mr. Dean Acheson, U.S. Secretary of State.

The officials understand that Yugoslavia is applying for loans from international banking agencies such as the World Bank and from private American sources. These applications, it is understood, have been under consideration for several weeks in Washington, although no decision has yet been reached.—Reuter.

NORWAY'S WIN AT EISTEDDFOD

Llangollen, June 15.

Students of Oslo University won first place for folk singing at the international Eisteddfod (Welsh Festival of the Arts) here today. Folk dancing was won by dancers from Spain.

Entries from 14 countries took part in the folk singing and dancing. One group of singers were from Munroe, Louisiana.—Reuter.

OXFORD HOAX

Oxford, June 15.

The staff at Christchurch College, Oxford, were surprised today to find a swan decked out with a black evening dress, the swan swimming in the pond in the quadrangle.

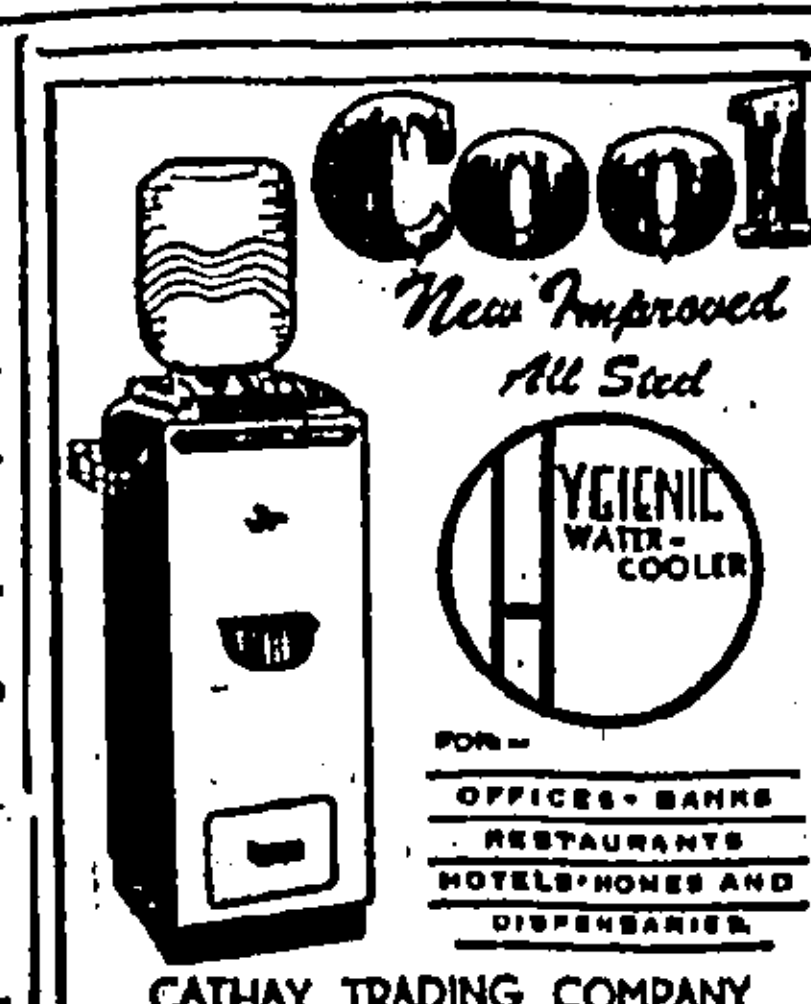
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Seamen Fined At Bristol

Bristol, June 15.

Fines of £3 each were imposed here today on 32 British seamen, crew of the Trojan Star, who refused to sail the ship to Liverpool during the recent strike here.

The men were fined for refusing to take the ship to sea. They had refused to do so in sympathy with the dockers' sympathy strike with Canadian seamen on another ship, who were on strike in a trade union "war."

The Bristol strike ended this morning. The Trojan Star is owned by the Blue Star Line.—Reuter.

Belgrade Accuses Russians

Belgrade, June 16.

An official Yugoslav publication has charged Russia with trying to exploit Yugoslavia's rich mineral resources.

The Belgrade paper "Glas" said payment of below-cost prices for Yugoslav minerals is part of the Cominform's campaign to break Marshal Tito's independent regime.

Last year, "Glas" said, Yugoslavia exported to Russia and the other Cominform countries 72 per cent of her blister copper, 70 per cent of her zinc, 89 per cent of her lead, 62 per cent of her antimony, 72 per cent of her mercury and 100 per cent of her iron ore.

Yugoslavia was paid less than the cost of production for these minerals by the Cominform countries, "Glas" said. In the future, the paper added, Yugoslavia will trade on terms of equality without regard to political considerations.—Associated Press.

COMINFORM FINALISES ANTI-TITO CAMPAIGN

Warsaw, June 15.

According to reports here today, Eastern Europe's third Cominform meeting—to execute the Soviet demands for economic sanctions against Marshal Tito's Yugoslavia—has now ended.

No confirmation is possible, but the tone of the press and the absence of top Polish Communists, and rumours emanating from responsible Polish Government quarters, are strong signs that an all-Slav, if not a full Cominform meeting, has taken place.

It is probable that final plans to quash Marshal Tito were top priority items on the agenda.

Poland, unlike Hungary and Czechoslovakia, has not yet abandoned trade with Yugoslavia, although in January she slashed exchanges for 1949 to one-fifth their previous volume.

A severance of diplomatic relations is considered here as the most likely next step.

Poland and Yugoslavia have exchanged diplomatic notes for eight months, although Yugoslavia was the first Eastern European country to sign a mutual aid pact with Poland in 1946.

In addition to action against Yugoslavia, which the Cominform expelled last year, the meeting is believed to have discussed China, Germany, Greece and a settlement of the religious problems of Eastern Europe.

The meeting, according to the rumours, was held in a remote area of Polish Lower Silesia, where the now discredited Polish Communist leader, M. Wladyslaw Gomulka, entertained the late Andrei Zhdanov at the first Cominform meeting in 1947.

M. George Malenkov, Deputy Chairman of the Soviet Council of Foreign Ministers, is considered a probable successor to Zhdanov, who "fathered" the Cominform, and he is reported to have been in Poland after the recent Czech Communist rally in Prague.

Poland's representatives at the third Cominform session are believed to have been M. Jakub Berman, Under-Secretary of State, and M. Hilary Minc, chief economic planner, both stated to be absent from the capital.

Belgrade Fears
In Belgrade, many Yugoslavs are fearful tonight of the institution of new anti-Tito measures by the Cominform coun-

tries following reports that a meeting of the Cominform had just ended in Poland.

No official Yugoslav reaction is available since the reported meeting has not been mentioned in the Yugoslav press.

Speculation, however, is rife in Belgrade that the Cominform may tighten its economic blockade or break off diplomatic relations with Yugoslavia.

Right wing Yugoslavs would welcome an intensification of the Cominform campaign, believing it would be bound to drive Marshal Tito to strengthen his relations with the West.

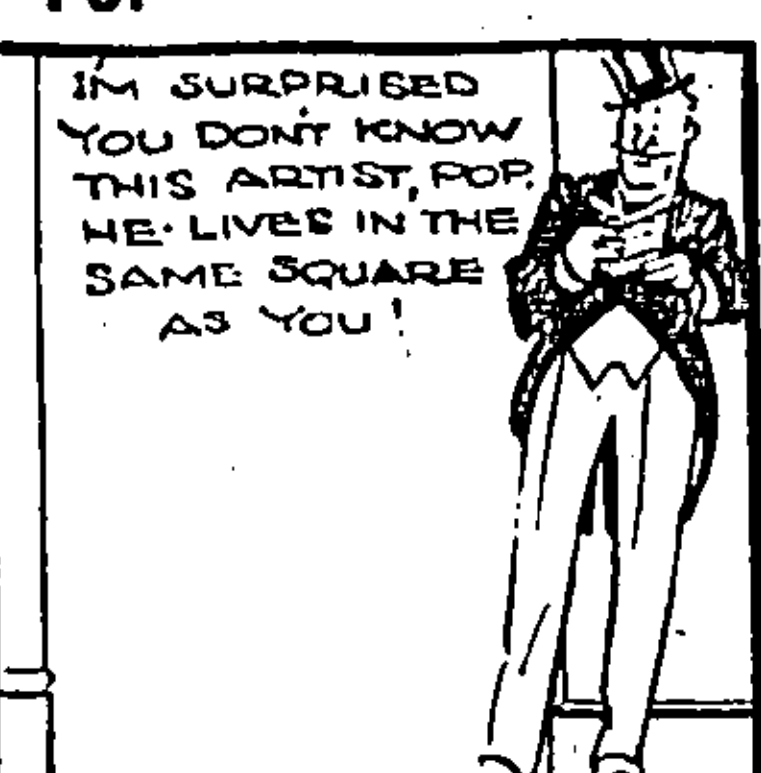
But many Communists are depressed by the fear that the break may now be final, and that Yugoslavia may have to depend on economic aid from the West.—Reuter.

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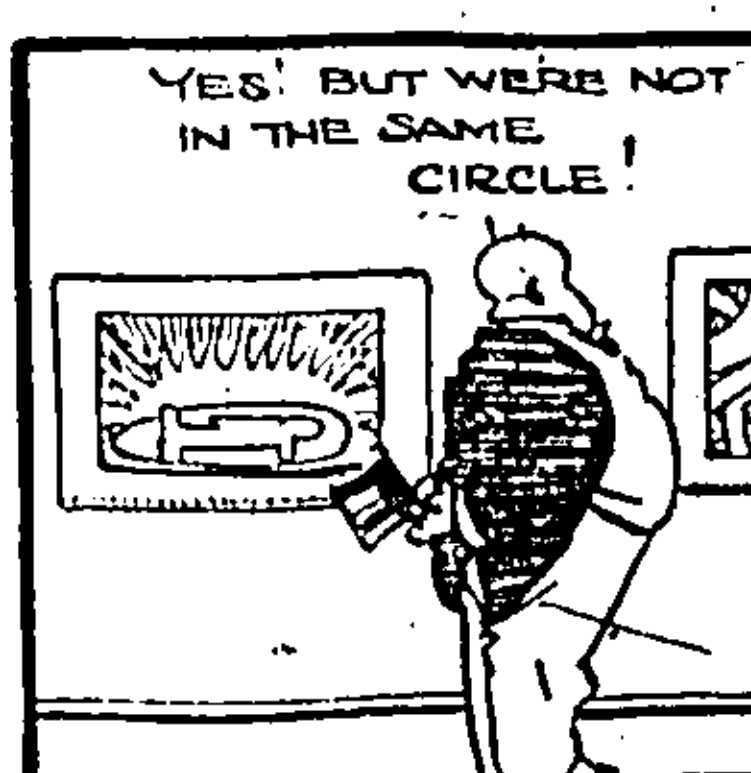
Paris, June 15.

The France Presse Agency reported from New Delhi today that Sardar Hardit Singh Malik, former Prime Minister of Patiala, a Sikh State in Northern India, is likely to be appointed Indian Ambassador to France.—Reuter.

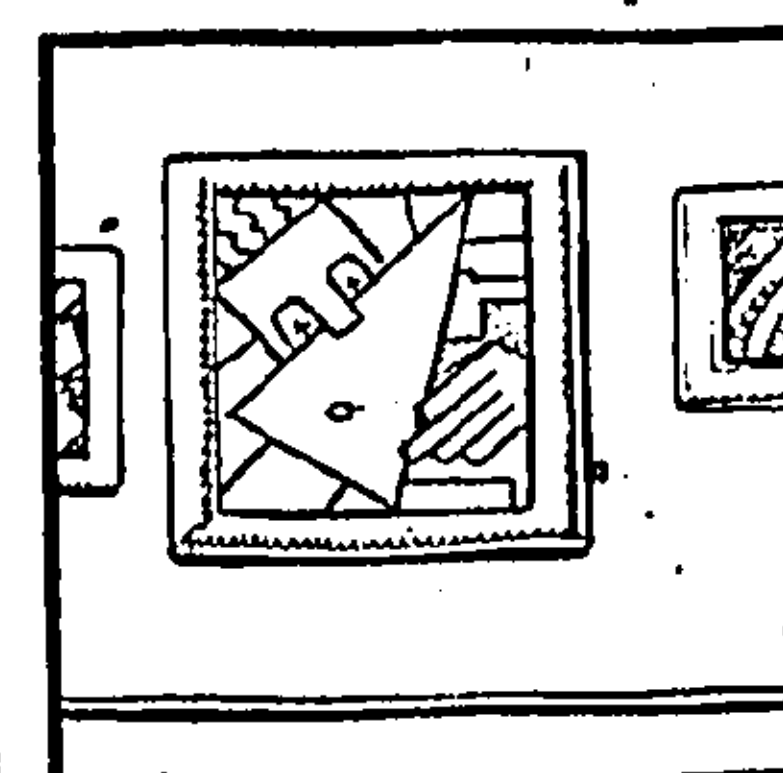
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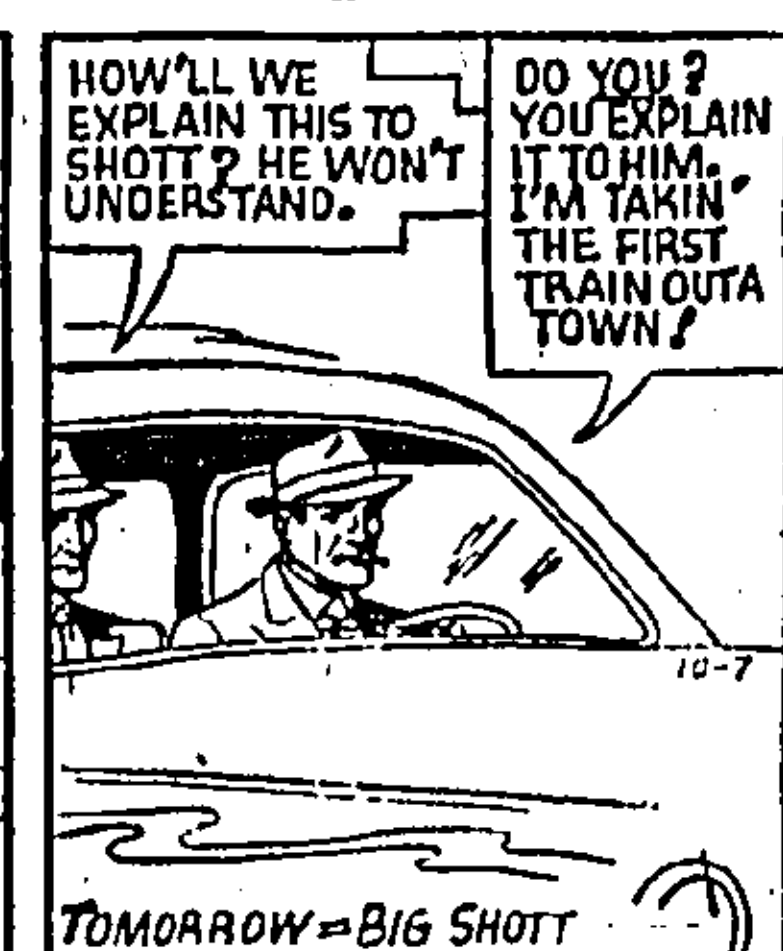
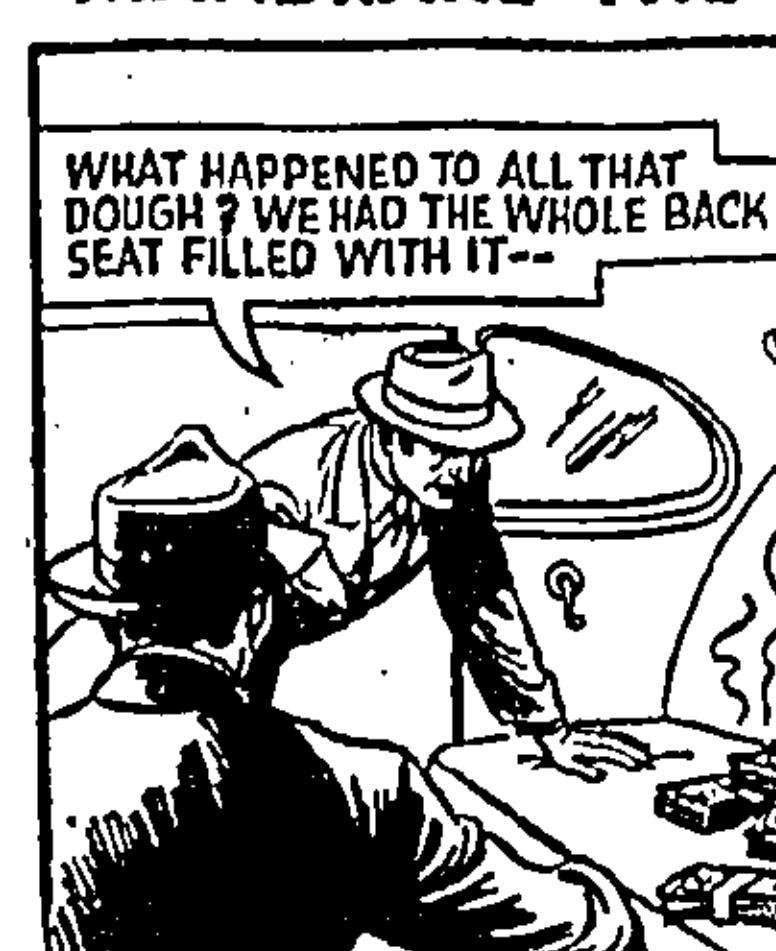


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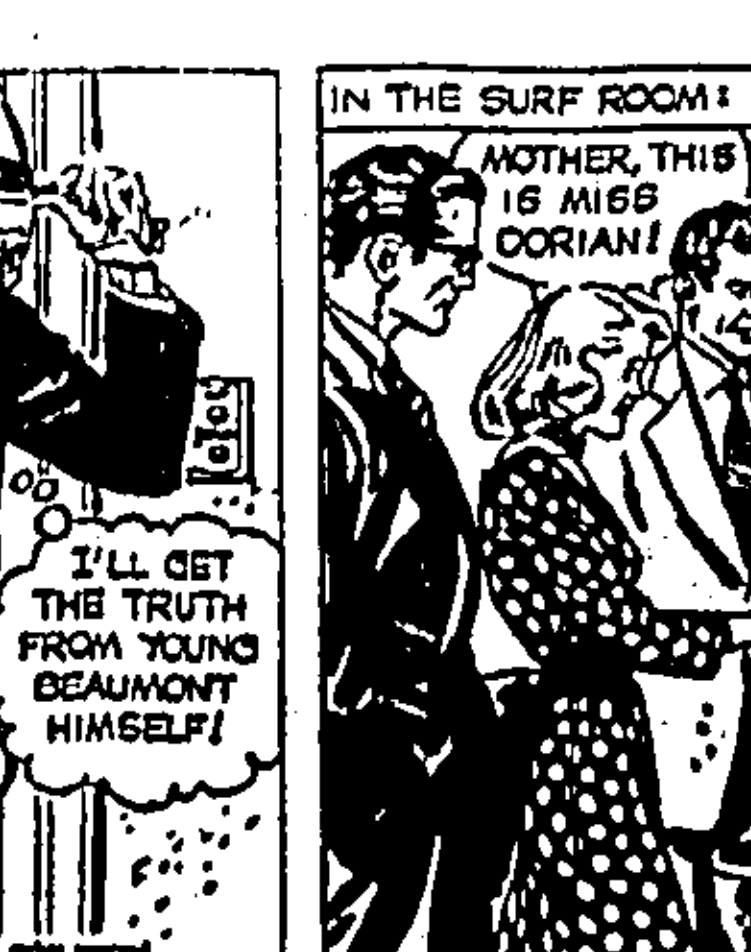


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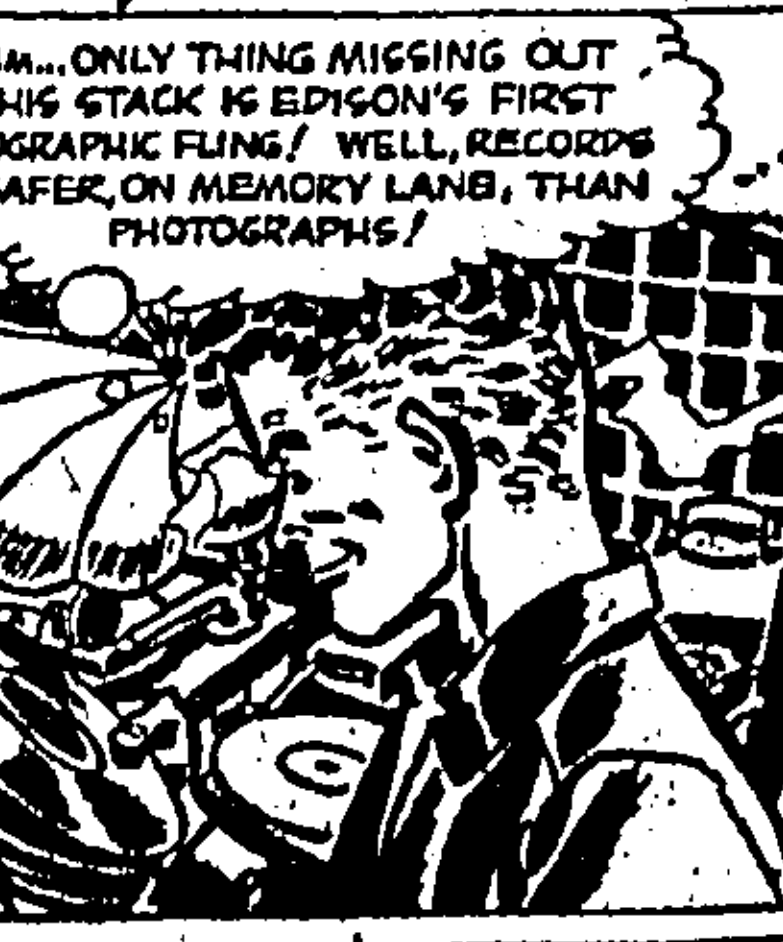
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Shanghai Gets Its Second Air Attack

(Continued from Page 1)
Fighting is still going on near Hsienyang near Sian. Central News claimed that the Communist First and Second armies under Peng Teh-hui were almost completely annihilated by powerful Government units.
A counter-revolution by the people of China against the activities of the Communists in their newly acquired territories is inevitable in the near future, General Yu Te-chien, Minister without Portfolio, told Reuters in an informal interview at his Canton residence.

He said the people are becoming disillusioned, and quoted reports of discontent in the provinces of Hunan, Lupei and Anhwei, and also in the Tientsin-Peiping area of North China.
"We have made many mistakes in the past 22 years," General Wu said, "but the biggest of all was compromising with the Communists."

The aging General, who has given thought in recent years to his place in the Kuomintang Party member for nearly a quarter of a century. He started from Canton—where at various intervals he has been Police Chief, Garrison Commander and Governor—and he has now returned to Canton.

Without Portfolio, he intends to play an active part in Marshal Yen Hsi-shan's recently formed Cabinet. He has accepted a post on the Kuomintang's new Supreme Council which is made up of 12 members.

General Wu Te-chien declined to comment on the military situation, but he said: "We will resist."

Red Air Force

A high ranking Chinese military authority said in Canton that if Russia and her satellites extend recognition to the Chinese Communists, they will not be without an air force for very long.

He said that already Chinese pilots are being trained by the Communists at Chalmus, North East of Harbin, in Manchuria. Marshal Yen Hsi-shan's new Cabinet is facing its first serious crisis through the refusal of certain ministers to take up their appointed posts, usually reliable sources in Canton report.

The semi-official Central News Agency reports from Taiwan that Mr. Hsu Kan, who was appointed Finance Minister, has declined to take on the job until he can implement a sound and workable currency reform.

At a press conference, a Government spokesman said Mr. Hsu Kan will join the Cabinet as soon as he completes his mission in Taiwan.

Two other ministers who have failed to report for duty are Dr. Hsu Shih and General Chang Chun, one-time Foreign Minister, who is now on the Cabinet list without portfolio.

Mukden Contact

The Government spokesman today said he has no knowledge regarding the case of Mr. Hu Shih, who, he understands, has sent a telegram to Marshal Yen Hsi-shan, but he does not know its contents.

The acting Foreign Minister, Mr. George Yen, is believed to

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| 2.00 p.m. | "From the Editor's Office" (London Relay). |
| 2.10 p.m. | Weather Report. |
| 2.15 p.m. | "Hong Kong Dance" to Tino Gochellen and His Orchestra from the Ambassadors Ballroom. Vocal: Baby Darling. |
| 2.20 p.m. | "The Show must go on" A Musical Thriller by Gerald Verner. Episode 1, "Harry, the Cat" (Studio). |
| 2.25 p.m. | A short programme of the Music of Henry Purcell. |
| 2.30 p.m. | "Come into the Parlour" Music and Songs from Northern Ireland (Studio). |
| 2.35 p.m. | Radio News Reel. (London Relay). |
| 2.40 p.m. | Weather Report and Summary of News from China. |

(Fresh from the Communist capital of Peiping, Spencer Moss, Associated Press Correspondent, reports on the North China situation during the four months he was there. He is in Korea en route to Canton.)

Fusan, June 16.

If Western Powers recognise Communist China and she becomes a member of the United Nations, the chances are she will vote with Russia on all issues.

There has been much talk abroad about the possibility of Mao Tse-tung, the Chinese Communist leader, becoming another Tito. But in the Red capital of Peiping there is no evidence whatever to back this view.

People who have studied the Communist movement in China think that even if Titisms eventually develops in that country, it will be years before it rears its head.

All views to the contrary, they believe, are based either on wishful thinking or on purely imagined differences within ranks of the senior Communist leaders.

When I left Peiping last week, there was certainly no outward evidence whatever to support the theory of the Communist's splitting into two camps—one under Mao and the other under Li Shih-shan, who spent many years in Russia.

Li, once condemned by the Chinese Communists as a Trotskyite, went to Russia many years ago. There he is supposed to have recruited. At the end of the Pacific war, he returned to China and was at first active in Manchuria. This led to rumours that he was simply a Moscow stooge bent, with Soviet support, on supplanting Mao.

have tendered his resignation to the Government, but is still functioning at the Foreign Office in Shanghai. He will be the host at a reception next week to introduce the new Cabinet.

For the first time since November 18, the American Consul-General at Mukden, Angus Ward, has been allowed to communicate with U. S. authorities in North China.

A U.S. Embassy spokesman in Nanking said Mr. Ward was allowed to use commercial telegraph facilities last Saturday to contact the American Consul in Peiping. He reported that he and his staff of nine Americans are healthy and in good spirits.

Mr. Ward, the Embassy spokesman said, acknowledged receipt of State Department instructions on May 17 to close the consulate. Mr. Ward advised the Peiping Consul, O. Edmund Chubb, that he is preparing to carry out the order.

The spokesman said the Chinese Communists have given no indication that they will provide facilities for the withdrawal of the Americans. Rall communications between Mukden and Peiping are now open.

At various times the Americans in Mukden were reported to be virtual prisoners of the Communists. The Reds took the Manchurian city on November 2. The consul's radio was silenced on November 18. Since that time the American State Department had been unable to contact Mr. Ward, even through Moscow, Reuters and Associated Press.

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Big Influence

His most important post is vice-chief of the Communist-sponsored All-China Federation of Labour. As such he wields tremendous influence. Mao is the chief but he is so busily engaged with his many duties that the actual direction of labour is in Li's hands.

Whatever differences the Communist leaders may have around the council table, it is clear that once a policy is decided upon it is carried out wholeheartedly.

The Communist chiefs represent a united front. Much of their strength lies in this. There is no sign that anyone challenges or questions the leadership of Mao.

In Communist China Mao seems to occupy the reins of power.

Dr. Y. C. Chen, founder of the Republic of China, enjoyed.

Lenin Of China

With the onward sweep of the Communist armies Mao's prestige has grown. And if Communism is in China to stay, he will doubtless be the Lenin of that country.

Only Chu Teh, Commander-in-Chief of the Chinese Red armies, shares the glory with Mao in Communist portraiture.

Among the more important figures in the Chinese political hierarchy is Chou En-lai, long regarded by foreigners as Mao's number two man. Many people believe Chou will be Premier or Foreign Minister when the Chinese Communists form a national government.

Some people consider another Communist, relatively unknown to the Western world, as even higher in Red councils than Chou. He is Wu Shao-chi, who like Li Li-shan, received much of his Communist training in Russia.

Lin Piao

And up-and-coming Communist is General Lin Piao, conqueror of Mukden, Peiping and Tientsin. Lin is regarded as the most likely successor to Chu Teh. Unlike Chou, who is supposed to be a purely military man, Lin is considered in North China a big political man, too.

Whatever their views on Communism, most politically conscious people in North China, foreigners and Chinese, agree on one thing: The Communist leaders are working together as a close, well-integrated, well-organised team.

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Airmail for Bangkok, (Reg.) 4.30 p.m., (Ord.) 5 p.m.

Closing Times by Sea.

Amoy, 10 a.m.

Bangkok, Noon.

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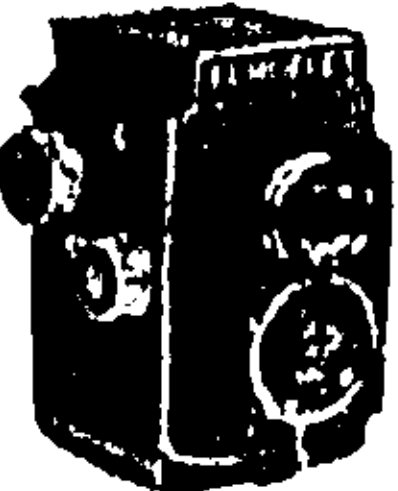
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STRONG CRITICISM OF FOOTBALL BODY

Hong Kong Boy Wins Swimming In Scotland

A former VRC schoolboy representative, Allister McEwen, won the 100 Yards Free Style Scottish Midland Junior Championship in the record time of 22.0 seconds on May 28.

He also won the schools championships, coming first in the 50 and 100 yards free style as well as the 50 yards breast stroke (using the Butterfly Stroke).

Allister came in third last year in the 100 yards free style championship for boys (under 16 years) and came second in the VRC Junior Championships for the 220 and 440 yards free style.

SWIMMING GALA AT THE VRC

(By KIMBERLEY)

The Colony's first swim show of the season of any significance at all, is the VRC—Eastern meet arranged for tomorrow, unless the weather again, has its own plans.

Five inter-club events are down on the programme, pitted in between with a number of VRC members' contests, numbering 10 in all, with guests and hosts playing a friendly water polo game to end it all.

In the Eastern line-up, the move of Tsui Hang stands out prominently.

That was the 1941 50 yards champion. He beat Chung Sing's Ng Nin in a dramatic race when Ng's characteristic untidy style tangled himself with the ropes that cast him the championship and then, possibly the record.

Tsui Hang is reported to be making a vigorous return to competitive swimming this year to challenge the record of 24.4 for the 50-free set by George Saunders during the championship heats of 1947, and possibly to widen the range of competition in the 100-free.

Entered in the 50 tomorrow, Tsui faces the opposition of VRC's Gerry Rosa-Pereira in what will most certainly turn out to be the evening's event in close finishes.

No estimation of Tsui's present standard can be obtained. Gerry, on the other hand, has on at least two occasions, clocked the better part of 28 seconds, and possibly the distance once in 25.2, and over the 50 and the 100 sprint, Gerry has proved to be one of VRC's most reliable.

220 Free Style

Another race in this VRC-Eastern show that is worth a gallery seat by itself is the 220 yards free style event with Sonny Monteiro swimming against Eastern's pride, teen-ager Cheong Kin-mun, who won the harbour swim when he was 10 (two years ago) and who has already kicked up a rumpus this year with his 63.3 seconds effort for the 100 metres free and returning five minutes 31 seconds for the 400 metres, to win both events during the inter-school meet last week.

It is true that in the Chung Sing pavilion, where the school swimming was held, Cheong had the advantage of a higher take-off. The times however, if correct, are still pretty good.

The 220 distance has in the past been shown to be a good distance to both Sonny and Cheong.

In a similar meet last year (VRC-Eastern), the Chinese boy edged Sonny out in 2/37. But they never swim together until the Championships.

The swimming carnival of 1948 saw young Cheong in his worst form; he never qualified for the 220 although he had knocked off performance down close to 2/30. Sonny swam second to Lau Tui-ping in the Championships, making the distance in about 2/29.

Cheong, however, is young and many believe in his power over the 220 this year and this year's performance should speak much about it. Sonny, clocked twice this week on the 220 swim, returned 2/26 at the best.

With VRC fielding a comparatively weak side in this meet, it will be no surprise that the Chinese walk away with the banners.

The Events

The inter club events are as follows:

50 yards free style: Tsui Hang and William Tso (Eastern); Gerry Rosa-Pereira and Eric Quast (VRC).

100 yards free style: Cheong Kin-mun and Johnnie Yvanovich (VRC); Gerry Rosa-Pereira and Eric Quast (VRC).

220 yards free style: Cheong Kin-mun and Johnnie Yvanovich (VRC); Gerry Rosa-Pereira and Eric Quast (VRC).

"The Hong Kong Football Association is fast becoming a bureaucratic body monopolised by a coterie of individuals who are seeking to promote or further their own interests to the detriment of others."

"The Association is seeking to invest itself with powers which Government would never think of taking upon itself. The Association is a perfect example of what happens when a powerful clique gets into power."

These are the views expressed by representatives of certain Clubs interviewed by the "China Mail" yesterday regarding the proposed alterations to Rules of the Hong Kong Football Association.

The proposed alterations will be placed before the Annual General Meeting of the Association to be held on July 15.

The proposal to augment the Council by the addition of five members, two of whom shall be nominated by the President and the Vice Presidents, has been interpreted as a manoeuvre intended to certain Councilors of the HKFA who know that they will have to vacate office shortly.

Assured Of Place

It is forecast in well-informed soccer circles that the Councilors in coalition with the introduction of this new rule and because of their influence in certain quarters, be assured of a place on the Council for the next five years and that because of their unassailable position, they can then do as they please.

Whether this forecast is correct or not remains to be seen; in any event the die will be cast in the not too distant future.

There is one puzzling point about the qualification to be possessed by the Council members covered by the new rule and that is the stipulation that they should, inter alia, be persons with "a deep and sincere interest in the game."

To those with an intimate knowledge of local soccer, there are only a few persons in this Colony who have "a deep and sincere interest in the game" for the game's sake and these persons are not the ones likely to be nominated under the new rule.

The majority of people who profess an interest in soccer here are only interested in the benefits which they are able to derive by associating themselves with the game. Take away from them the benefits and they would not be so much as cast an eye in the direction of a football.

Matter Of Policy

The argument that an entirely new Council may not see eye to eye with an outgoing Council in a matter of policy is also somewhat difficult to follow. Surely

This argument does not mean to imply that a new Council, which sees certain defects in the policy of an existing system, should not take steps to eliminate such defects. For example, if the outgoing Council tolerated a state of semi-professionalism, would it be reasonable to expect a new Council, comprised of men who love the game for the game's sake, to continue tolerating a state of affairs of which they do not approve?

The decision of the Council to continue utilising the services of an Hon. Secretary rather than engage a paid full-time Secretary, came as a great shock to many people, particularly in view of the publicity which had been given to the matter.

There is no doubt but that a paid full-time Secretary, who has no ties with any particular Club or clique, is desirable.

There are Councilors who hold the view that it would not be possible to obtain the services of a satisfactory Secretary at \$15,000 a year. This view is, to say the least of it, absurd in the extreme.

It is the opinion of many that the objection by certain officials to the employment of a paid full-time Secretary is based on personal reasons. These officials are, it is claimed, afraid that with the engagement of an independent paid full-time Secretary, the scope of their influence will be drastically curtailed.

There is a feeling abroad that the Hong Kong Football Association is badly in need of new blood. Year after year, the affairs of the Association have been monopolised by one particular clique, so much so that it has become known as a "family business."

Men who are really keen about the game and are anxious to keep it clean and free from the evils which exist at present, are denied a voice in matters of policy.

It is a matter for regret that the majority of non-Chinese officials, particularly representatives of the Royal Navy, Army and Air Force, are entirely in the dark as to what is actually going on behind the scenes. In their simple honesty, they are being deceived by the "tail-follow-well-met" attitude of certain office bearers and allow themselves to be unwittingly used as pawns in a game.

The quarter-final line-ups now read:

Men's singles: Ted Schroeder (United States) v. George Worthington (Australia); Eric Sturges (South Africa) v. Frank Sedgman (Australia); Nigel Cockburn (South Africa) v. Gardner Mulloy (United States); Feliciano Ampon (Philippines) v. John Brownich (Australia).

Women's singles: Miss Louise Brough (United States) v. Thelma Long (Australia); Mrs. Patricia Todd (United States) v. Miss Gem Hocking (Britain); Miss Shirley Fry (United States) v. Miss Gertrude Moran (United States).

Sonny Monteiro and Johnnie Yvanovich (VRC). 100 yards back stroke: Cheong Kin-mun and William Tso (Eastern). Tony Lopez and D. Colliaco (VRC). 100 yards breast stroke: Leong Chak-to and Cheung Chung-yue (Eastern); S. E. Carvalho and M. Roza (VRC). 4 x 50 yards relay: Eastern: Tsui Hang, Tommy Kew, William Tso and Cheong Kin-mun; VRC: Eric Quast, Jack Gomes, Wilfred Lawrence and Sonny Monteiro.

Water polo: Eastern: Wu Ching, Chung Ho-look, K. W. Young, Tommy Kew, W. K. Lo, Tsui Hang and K. M. Cheong; VRC: J. Brown, B. R. Rasmussen, J. Mullan, Wilfred Lawrence, Johnnie Yvanovich, S. E. Monteiro, G. Rose-Pereira.

King's Horse Wins Coronation Stakes

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TENNIS LEAGUE MATCHES

Only two Tennis League matches were played off yesterday, the rest being called off on account of the sudden courts.

In the Ladies' "A" Division, Ladies' Recreation Club strengthened their League position by defeating United Services Recreation Club 7-2.

The Chinese Recreation Club secured their third successive win in the Men's "A" Division, beating University by eight sets to one.

Ladies' "A" Division

LRG (7)—USRC (2)

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Half a furlong before the finish, when it was obvious that the Royal filly would win, loud cheers broke out, and as is the custom in Britain, men took off their hats, shouting: "Hats off to the King" as the winning post was reached.

Hundreds immediately turned to the Royal Box and clapped. Their Majesties looked very pleased and none was more excited at Avila's win than Princess Elizabeth.

The King and Queen and the Royal party had watched Avila saddled in the paddock. On their way, a stable hand approached Princess Elizabeth, apparently intent on getting her photograph. Two detectives hustled him aside.

The big race of the day, the Royal Hunt Cup, run over nearly one mile, produced a terrific finish, the camera having to be called upon before the race was awarded to Sterope, a well-backed 10 to 6 chance, owned by a former Cambridge graduate, Mr. Jack Townley.

Sterope, who had pulled off a great coup for his connections in winning the Cambridgeshire Handicap last year, had brought off a narrow double. But it was touch and go and the draw for places at the start may have earned him his head victory over Impeccable, an 18 to 1 chance, ridden by Gordon Richards, the champion jockey.

Impeccable, a grey, made a gallant attempt to resist to victory the biggest weight (nine stone two pounds) under which no horse has been successful for 30 years. He came in with a great rattle at the finish, but could not just get on even terms with Sterope, who had taken the lead a furlong out.

Sterope, who carried eight stone 12 pounds, is a four-year-old son of the former Derby winner, Midday Sun.

Pride of India, made a favourite at 11 to 2, finished third, two lengths away in the field of 20 runners.

Richards, who had five favourites win for them yesterday, started the day well when Diablerette, a daughter of Dante, scored an easy win in the five-furlong Queen Mary Stakes.

Starting at 7 to 4 and ridden by "Togo" Johnstone, she won by three lengths from Sir Percy's Quarter Deck. Sir Percy, a retired diplomat, went one better in the next race by winning the Churchill Stakes, of two miles, with his colt, Riding Mill, a well-backed 4 to 1 chance.

The Australian jockey, Willie Cook, won his first Ascot victory when he rode Beacon, a 100 to 7 shot, to victory in the mile and a half Bessborough Stakes. High Beacon just got home a neck in front of the well-backed 7 to 1 chance, Jai Mahal.

Richards failed

Gordon Richards was expected to win the race of the day on Krakatau in the Jersey Stakes, run over the Hunt Cup course, in the last race on the card, but this son of Nearco, starting at 8 to 11, had to be content with third place.

Victory went to the Two Thousand Guineas failure, Star King, who won a thrilling race by a short head, decided by the camera, over the Aga Khan's 100 to 6 outsider, Moon dust.

Star King was second favourite at 9 to 2.

An interesting runner in the opening race was Skylarking, bought by Prince Aly Khan as a wedding present for his wife, Rila Hayworth. Skylarking lived up to her name at the start, where she was frisky but ran fairly well to finish seventh of the 18 runners. As the Aga Khan was the winner, Diablerette, there was some compensation for the family.

Once again there was no real challenge from the French contingent, and a horse coming across the Channel for the Royal meeting has yet to win.

There are hopes that Turmoil may win the Ascot Gold Cup, the libit of the four-days' racing, but it is generally thought that this famous long-distance race will resolve itself into a duel between the American-owned and bred Black Tarquin and Lord Derby's Alcyon.

It was dull and threatening again today but the rain held off.

Reserves: H. J. D. Lowe and A. D. Humphreys.

YORKSHIRE'S TYPICAL RALLY IN VITAL GAME

London, June 15.

The Worcestershire and Yorkshire match, which, may have a vital bearing on the destination of the Championship this season, provided the main interest in today's County cricket programme, which consisted of only two matches. Worcestershire, the present leaders, made a great start against their nearest rivals by capturing five wickets for 59 runs, but, typically, Yorkshire fought back and by the close of play had turned the tables and were in a fairly sound position.

The Yorkshire rally was mainly due to a sixth wicket stand of 93 by J. Wilson and his captain, Norman Yardley.

Wilson, a left hander, reached his 50 out of 75 shortly before lunch, and was at the wicket for just over three hours in scoring 84. Yardley used his feet well and was mainly responsible for Yorkshire scoring at a run a minute.

Yardley struck an early blow for Yorkshire when he bowled Cooper for six. Three more wickets fell in less than two hours before the close, with Worcestershire 146 behind with four wickets down.

In the other County match Nottinghamshire welcomed the return of Harold Butler, their England fast bowler, after a long absence caused by a back strain.

Although he did not produce his best pace, Butler was the most successful member of the Nottingham attack and troubled all the Leicestershire batsmen in short spells.

Altogether he bowled 24 overs for 47 and three wickets, but left the field in the last hour for massage and rest.

Leicestershire collapsed after a good start of 107 for the opening wicket, but a brisk innings by Walsh helped to raise the total.

Bowlers On Top

Batsmen had an uncomfortable time at Cambridge University. The pace bowlers, pitching short of a length, made the ball lift awkwardly, the most successful being Charles Oakes, of Sussex, who took four wickets for only 17 runs.

Nigel Howard, the Lancashire captain, and Jack Robertson, of Middlesex, fared better than the Cambridge batsmen and made 104 for the opening MCC stand.

Close of play scores: At Lord's: Cambridge University 179 (C. Oakes 4 for 17) MCC 138 for 2 (Robertson 73).

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New Zealanders Lay Foundation For A Big Score

Southampton, June 16.

The New Zealand cricket tourists required 28 runs with all their first innings wickets standing to pass Hampshire's total of 129 when they resumed their match here today in fine weather and, on a good wicket, had scored 239 runs for one by lunch.

Sutcliffe and Scott carried their partnership to 142 in two hours and 47 minutes to establish the best first wicket stand of the tour before being separated.

Sutcliffe, trying a cut, dragged a ball from Knott on to his stumps. He hit seven fours.

Scott began to take risks when Hadlee came in and the scores began to spread up although the Hampshire fielding remained keen.

Scott completed his second century of the tour in three hours and 33 minutes. He hit eight fours.

Fight For Title Is Postponed

Detroit, June 15.

The world middleweight title fight between Marcel Cerdan and Jake La Motta, which was to have been held here tonight, has been postponed 24 hours because of rain.

Earlier, Cerdan had weighed in at 11 stone four pounds, while La Motta tipped the scales at 11 stone, five and a half pounds.

The title bout was to have taken place at Briggs Stadium.

Neither man had any difficulty in getting inside the limit. La Motta, who is an 8-5 underdog, weighed two and a half pounds more for his last fight in May against Joey De John but was so confident he would come in under the limit today that he did not bother to get on the scales prior to the official weigh-in for a test weight.

Cerdan made a test run on his hotel room scales this morning and after the indicator showed 11 stone, four pounds he treated himself to a good breakfast.—Reuter.

BOWLS TEAM

The following will represent the Hong Kong Cricket Club in their Lawn Bowls game against Hong Kong Football Club at Happy Valley tomorrow, play commencing at 4 p.m.

N. R. Oliver, Col. E. J. R. Mitchell, H. F. Shields and W. Williamson (Skip); D. Phillips, F. C. Black, R. A. Edwards and A. W. Brown (Skip); G. W. Sewell, L. R. Wood, A. E. Howkins and R. H. Wild (Skip).

Reserves: H. J. D. Lowe and A. D. Humphreys.

The start was delayed yesterday for half an hour because the New Zealanders had travelled overnight from Leeds, and an extra half an hour is to be played today.

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